# Private steel firms strike is on again

The strike in the private sector of the steel industry has been reimposed by the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation after the Law Lords ruling yesterday that the Court of Appeal was wrong to grant an injunction against it. Union leaders expect a quick end to the dispute as a

# Union wins its case before Law Lords

Labour Editor
Steel union leaders last night brushed aside the advice of Mr William Sirs, their general secretary, and unanimously re-imposed the strike in the private sector and widespread secondary picketing from to-

After hearing the House of Lords' ruling that the Court of Appeal was wrong to grant an injunction against spreading the state steel shutdown, the 21member lay executive of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation voted to increase the in-dustrial and economic pressure

on the Government.
Mr Sirs appealed in vain for an eight-day stay of execution for private sector firms. But the union leaders opted to intensity industrial action "with the utmost vigour, in an artempt to resolve the dispute as soon as

One executive member des-cribed the Law Lords' decision as a licence to smash the British economy, and the ISTC now believes that the impact of widening the British Steel Corporation stoppage for the second time could end the strike within six weeks of the January 2 starting date.

Telegrams to the steel workers' headquarters in Kings Cross indicate that the private sector strike will begin almost immediately.

immediately.
"The favourable decision in the Lords and the restoration of the strike instruction to the private sector means that there will be a tremendous uplifting of the position." Mr Sirs said.
"I think a sentlement will come fairly quickly now that there is a settled position, because in the next two weeks

consumer industry will be running down fairly considerably."

The steel workers' leaders have already embarked on exploratory talks with the BSC management but there is as yet no sign that the full ISTC negotiating team will be brought to ences between this case and London for talks that could end the case of Express Newspapers

Mr Sirs claimed he did not dure put the corporation's decision and the Court of latest package to the executive Appeal were wrong."

The news of the Lords' deci-

jected autright. sion, he But unions representing craft picket steel are still negotiating and top-level contacts involving leaders of the National Union of Blast Furnacemen are expected to resume in the next

few days. Unlike the lengthy debate

Chief Supt Peter Griggs, Mr Soudan checked out of the hotel

vesterday and left, it is believed, for Switzerland.

In Monrovia, the Liberian authorities announced that they

authorities announced that they were setting up a formal inquiry into the loss of the Salem which would pay particular attention to allegations of

the Salem's cargo originated.

Shell's writ, issued in the

Admiralty Court, is for com-pensation for loss of oil valued

at \$56m, Shell said. They had

we have had previous dealings" last month, knowing the ship and cargo had been lost and

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paid that sum to the Lausanne- Archaeology based oil brokers, Pontoil, a Books

respectable company with whom | Bridge

a strike in the private sector from last Sunday, the argument yesterday was almost completely

"These boys are in a very difficult position", Mr Sirs said of his executive. "They are out work, without any money on picket lines, being frustrated by police, and having to work very hard to make sure that no steel is coming through. They don't like the situation of cer-tain parts of the industry working, while others are not work-

The dominant ISTC clearly believes that as industry's stocks run out there will be increased pressure on the Government to push for a settle-ment of the ESC wage dispute. Mr Sirs predicted it would not be long before the CBI "begins to scream" and that would put pressure on ministers and the

He was not optimistic about the outcome of the TUC's efforts to force a change in Cabinet and BSC policies on the rapid rundown of the steel industry, particularly in South

Wales.
The Law Lords decided unanimously that the Court of Appeal had been wrong in finding that the extension of the steel strike differed substantially from the Express Newstanders of MacShane case which papers v MacShane case which legitimized secondary action in furtherance of a trade dispute.
Mr Sirs was "pleased as
Punch" with the crucial decision delivered in a three-minute judgment from the Woolsack.
The 16 private steel firms,
granted injunctions last week
against the strike and secondary picketing, will now have to bear all the ISTC's costs. They are estimated at more than

there are any relevant differ-ences between this case and



Family reunion: Mr Alexander Ginzburg (left), the Soviet dissident who was exchanged last April for two convicted Russian spies in the United States, was reunited with his family yesterday when they arrived from Moscow at Charles de Gaulle

airport, near Paris. Mrs Irina Cinzburg was accompanied by her two young sons and her mother in law: She had earlier refused to leave the Soviet Union because the couple's 19-year-old unofficially adopted son, Sergei Shibayev, had been refused permission to travel after being called up for military service.

In Moscow Mrs Yelena Sakharov, wife of Dr Andrei Sakharov, who was banished from the Soviet capital last week, told western correspondents yesterday that she had been ordered by the Moscow state prosecutor's office to stop spreading slander or reading out statements by her husband.

# 11 national Olympic committees assert their Moscow rights

Representatives of 11 national Olympic committees, including Britain, agreed in Frankfurt today that it will be they, not their governments, who will de-cide if sportsmen boycott the

Moscow Olympic Games.

They agreed to meet again in
Brussels on March 22 to discuss developments.
The representatives, from 10

European countries and Egypt, met informally at the invitation of Herr Willi Daume, president of the West German committee of the West German committee and aspiring president of the International Olympic Committee, to exchange views and information about a possible demand by their governments to boycott the games in responso to the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

The contents of the four-hour discussions were kept secret, but later a cautious and yaguely-worded statement de-

vaguely-worded statement de-clared that "under the Olympic charter national committees have the sole authority to decide on participation in the Olympic

Games ".

Also in accordance with the Olympic charter and rules, it went on, "all participants expressed the strong desire and willingness to ensure that athletes of their countries can athletes of their countries can be of their countries. freely compete in the Olympic Games following the decision made by the International

Olympic Committee ...
Under no circumstances did
participation imply recognition
of a given political situation or
event, it said.

event, it said.

Herr Daume said afterwards:

"It is we who decide, not our governments".

Boycott backed: According to the State Department about 36 covernments have told the United States that they would favour moving the summer Olympics from Moscow (Patrick Brogan writes from Washington). Of these, 17 have nd.
Details, page 4 These are Canada, Britain,

GEC joins battle for Decca with

Holland, Norway, Luxembourg, Chile, Haiti, Australia, Fifi, New Guines, New Zealand, China, Djibouti, Zaire, Egypt, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

These countries would consider alternative games if the

IOC does\_not approve moving the games from Moscow.

Muhammad Ali, the boxer, is flying to Africa to try to influence governments there to join the boycott. He has arranged to visit Tanzania.

Kenya, Unigeria, Liberia and Seneral

Senegal.

Speaking in Washington,
President Carter defended his
cail for a boycott. "No country
can trample on the life and liberty of another and expect

liberty of another and expect to conduct business or sports as usual with the rest of the world." he said.

The United States is conducting intensive lobbying to persuade as many countries as possible to join the boycott. Two notable accessions newly announced are China and Japan. It is thought in Washington, that everywhere the question will be decided by governments, not Olympic committees.

not Olympic committees.
Tokyo decision: Japan is to boycott the Moscow Olympics. The Government spokesman said the Japan Olympic Committee had been advised formally to take appropriate steps to implement the Government's deci-

In advising the committee to boycott the games, he said: "The Government cannot but

be concerned about the sharp international opinion against the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan. The final decision is up to the Japanese Olympic Committee but observers believe it was certain the committee would certain the committee would follow the Government lead. Peking support: China said it would support the cancellation of the games or their removal from Moscow.

A statement issued by the Foreign Ministry in Peking said.

over Decca became urgent.

Racal was first to make a positive move, and two week's ago the Detra board agreed to

ago the Decca board agreed to talk to Mr Harrison's company. By the end of last week terms had been agreed. Then GEC stepped in with a positive offer. Rucal's terms matched Decca's dire problems, although Dacca had agreed to sell off most of its puric businesses.

most of its music businesses to

PolyGram, a West German, Dutch concern.

It apparently takes the view that Decca is a far "cleaner" company in financial terms than has been suggested, and that while it still has big problems

even after the salt to Poly Gram they are not insuperable.

put at about 260m. Racal

thinks differently.

#### The tractor factory that never was

From Michael Binyon Moscow, Feb 1

Moscow, Feb 1

The tractor engine repair factory on the outskirts of Leningrad was a modern industrial miracle. Designed by a special industrial institute it claimed a capacity to repair 14,000 engines a year. It was hunded over by the builders in December 1978 and officially opened last February.

last February. For a full year it was in operation. But the first year's production statistics were rather unsatisfactory, and showed large loses. The collective farms in the wast north-western region the factory served had great difficulty genting their tractors remained. paired.

It would have been a real miracle if they had succeeded for the factory simply did not

On paper it looked solid enough. But anyone following directions to the factory site came upon a grizzled old guard, a gate, a few foundation treuches filled with broken bricks and a number of half built blocks. built blocks.

built blocks.

Where did the workers mend the engines? The guard was puzzled at such a question:

No one had worked on the site for years. The project had begun satisfactorily in 1974 but had run into delays. Two years later the State Bank had cut off further credit, and most of the builders were dismissed. A new start was planned for late 1977.

But Construction Authority

But Construction Authority No 49, responsible for the fac-tory, was put in a dilemma. It was far behind schedule, so Mr A. V. Prokhorovich, the authority chairman, decided to go ahead anyway with the order handing over the factory to the

State. Exactly a year later, while birds still built their nests in the open window spaces, the authority officially recorded that "ail construction work has been completed according to design. The factory is now

been completed according to design. The factory is now ready for use."

The problem of how to get the inspectors to sign the papers was overcome by a series of reshuffles on the State Inspection Commission including the chairman.

Someone signed for the chief

Someone signed for the chief engineer, declaring that he had been appointed to check the work instead. Even the factory doctor signed, though he later denied the signature was his-The fire inspectors had no qualus; there was no factory, so no fire risk. Similarly the Environmental Protection Agency signed without hesita-tion; there were no tubes dis-charging waste, so there was no possible damage to the cuviron-

ment.
Officials in Moscow seeing all the papers were in order con-cluded all was well. For a full year a fictitious plan was assigned to the non-existent factory, while its very real losses

were written off.
But inevitably the matter was Decca's net worth, although discovered by independent state auditors. They began asking questions, convened a meeting and summoned all those coned on historical valuations of many important assets, was evidently not prepared to pay virtually anything for goodwill with its first offer. GEC clearly nected with the affair.

Several officials were dismissed and others severely reprimanded. *Pravda*, which retold the whole sorry tale, asked pointedly whether the farmers of the north-west were any closer to getting their tractors repaired at a plant they bad

waited so long for.

# Cabinet decides areas for further cuts

By Caroline Atkinson Broad decisions on public spending cuts for 1980-81, and subsequent years, have been reached by the Cabiner, accord-ing to official sources yester-day. These will include cuts in housing subsidies and in the real value of social security henciits, including child benc-

Decisions on the details of

other cuts have still to be made. These may be reached in meet-The court's reasons will be ings between Treasury ministers delivered in writing in about two weeks, but Lord Diplock said: "I do not think that on its spending White Paper. to be published next month beences between this case and the case of Express Newspapers w MucShane. The present appeal is governed by that spending in the coming year ecision and the Court of than was originally hoped. This preal were wrong."

The news of the Lords' deci- social security have a much sion, heard over the radio on sion, heard over the radio on picket lines in Sheffield, prompted a jubilanc determination to step up the blockade of private sector firms. "What the miners did, we can do", one picket said.

Other steel news, page 2 in the second half of the finan-Law Report page 5 cial year. Leading article, page 13 The latest round of public

spending decisions has been hard to make. Several areas were exempt from cuts for the coming year, making it more difficult to get adequate cuts

Defence has come off hest. The 3 per cent rise in spending next year which was planned in the November White Paper is expected to be preserved. In addition there may be some easing of the cash limits to top the rise being esten up in higher costs.
Cush limits in other areas will

set below the expected rate of inflution, thus exerting a further squeeze on the volume of public spanding next year.

The Government's early hopes of pending cuts of nearly could top Raci (2,000m) for the coming year much as £15m. were dependent on getting Britain's \$1.000m contribution to the EEC reduced or wiped out. It now looks as if Britain will get a much smaller reduction, it any, in its net payment Decca and committed to the EEC in 1980-81. The Prime Minister has now said tal in Decca to Rucal.

#### likely cash offer of £80m By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke

Sir Arnold Weinstock's General Electric Company is to make a counter-bid for Decca and Racal Electronics-which carlier this week believed it had clinched a £65m deal to take control of Decca—now faces formidable competition.

GEC is Britain's largest elec-trical group and it has an impressive management record. its profits last year were \$278m and in December it had cash resources of \$500m. The new offer for Decca will come when the stock market opens on Monday morning, GEC is likely to offer cash, compared to Racal's all-share terms, and it could top Racal's offer by as

Earlier this week Sir Edward Lewis, Decca's chairman and effective founder, died aged 79. Only days earlier he had given his agreement to Racal's bid for Decca and committed 17.2 per cent of the ordinary voting capi-

that agreement on reducing This commitment, however, the electronics business that Britain contribution must be only becomes irrevocable if for about two years Decca has reached by the end of that Racal's bid is declared uncon-been avidly courted both by year, that is by April 1981.

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This commitment, however, the electronics business that reached by the end of that Racal's bid is declared uncon-been avidly courted both by ditional, so the field is still GEC and by Mr Ernest Harriwide open to GEC. That com-

pany clearly feels that Decca's When Sir Edward Lewis bemarine and air-based naviga-tional and radar businesses ago and the fortunes of Decca's would fit neatly with its own Marconi interests.

A GEC tokeover of Decca — collapsed, interest in taking

A GEC tokeover of Decca could constitute a domestic monopoly in this field but since this is such an international business a reference to the Monopolies Commission seems unlikely.

At the news of GEC's intervention, Decca's share quotations were suspended at 395p for the ordinary and 340p for the "A" non-voting stock. Racal's shares, however, fell back sharply by 15p to 224p. Racal has substantial cash resources-possibly as much as £100m-after the disposal of

several investment stakes re-cently. However the lands-based communications business may be unable to meet a cash bid from GEC with more than amix of equity and cash, so its share price is going to have to take some strain.

It has been an open secret in

# **Ex-minister** shot in

From Charles Hargrove Paris. Feb 1

of his car.
One puzzling fact is that the attacker or attackers—there

hours, the sister and brother-in-law of President Giscard d'Estaing, who were on their way home from a dinner party. All M Fontanet could say was: I have been shot from a car. The bullet went through his shoulder blade and lodged itself in his lung. He was taken

The reasons for the attack are a mystery and not thought to be political. A quiet and un-demonstrative savoyard. M Fontanet is a man of great probity, discrerion, and austere labits. He is not connected with

a leading member of the Christian Democratic MRP movement around M Jean junior minister in 1959, in the government of M Michel Debré, for his fight against inflation. He left the Government in 1962 with four other MRP ministers in protest against General de Gaulle's stand on European

# Paris street

M Joseph Fontanet, a leading dou, was shot and seriously wounded early this morning outside his flat in Peris. He had driven home after giving a lecture at Viarmes, north-west of Paris, when he was shot from a passing vehicle as he was leaning over the book

were no witnesses to the short did not fire on M Fontanet when he first reached home, but waited until he had taken lecture material upstairs, and returned to the car.
He was found by two neigh-

to hospital. His condition was described tonight as very worrying."

shady political or business deal-ings that might provide the police with a clue.

In the sixtics M Fontanet was Lecanuet. He had become a and acquired a solid reputation

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#### **Shell writ** over lost Six policemen killed in tanker oil By Michael Baily

Basque attack Transport Correspondent Solicitors acring for Shell have served a writ for compen-sation for the loss of 190,000 tons of oil on Mr Fred Ed Basque extremists killed six members of the Civil Guard when they attacked a convoy carrying morters and ammunition near Eilbao. The death toll was the heaviest in a single incident between police sation for the 1033 considered and Soudan, director of Oxford Shipping of Monrovia, owners of the 213,000-ton tanker Salem, which sank off West Africa in mysterious circumstances last month.

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#### from Houston, Texas, was stay-ing at the Hilton Hotel, London, New EEC butter row

where he was later interviewed. Mr Roy Jenkins, the president of the by officers of Scotland Yard's European Commission, has come under frond squad, who are making fire from some EEC stotes for curbing investigations under Detective hunter sales to Russia in retaliation for its Afghanistan intervention. The French and the Irish accuse Mr Jenkins of enceeding his authority, given by FEC foreign ministers, while Britain strongly supports

#### Labour events clash

Factions in the Labour Party are in a clash of events today. There is concern that the party's annual local government conference in Leicester, being attended by Mr James Callaghan, will be eclipsed by cular attention to allegations of criminal fraud. The Deputy Commissioner of Maritime Affairs, Mr J. C. Montgomery, who is at present in Dakar, engaged on a preliminary inquiry, had been instructed to inquiry, all documents relating a Young Socialist demonstration in Lon-don Page 2

secure all documents relating Most adults surveyed in a Gallup poli said That may, however, prove difficult because South Africa, where the ship is alleged to have called and discharged her have called and discharged her in the survey as a whole Page 2 have called and discharged her in the survey as a whole cargo before sinking forbids

## disclosure of information about it Assassin hired

Procurement Act, passed last | Mr Robert Mugabe's Zana (PF) party year to help to beat the oil has drawn up a death list involving rival embargo by some Arab states, candidates in the Southern Rhodesian including Kuwait, from where elections, it was alleged yesterday. It was also claimed that an ossassin had been hired to kill some of the candidates Page 5 Home News

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Although the United Kingdom population fell slightly to 55,500,000 in 1978, it is predicted that it will rise to 58,040,000 by the year 2001. The Central Statistical Office also says in its annual obstract of statistics

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Mr William Miller, I nated states Treesury Secretary, sold yestanday that he would not resign over accusations that he acted improperly when head of Textron Inc and attempted to cover this up later. The Securities and Enchange Commission alleged that Textron paid bribes totalling \$3.4m in the 1970s and issued "misleading statements" to Congress, and that Mr Miller knew the company illegally spent \$500.000 entertaining Defence Department officials Page 5

#### Welsh player banned

Mr Miller says he

will not resign

Byron Stevenson, the Leeds United and Wales defender, has been banned by Uefa from all European Cup competitions for four and a half years. Stevenson was sent off against Turkey in a European championship match, Wales and Leeds will appeal Page 15

#### Transplant future

The two successful heart transplant, this week have given doctors new optimism about the future of the operation in Britain. One professor does not expect an expension in transplants because of each cuts in the health corvice

# Arab autonomy hope

The unexpected parrowing of the Fauptian and Israeli positions on Arab self-rule in the occupied territories itas given fresh momentum to the Middle hast peace pro-cess. As a result, Mr Sol Linewitz, Presi-dent Carter's special entity, will return to the region later this month for a further round of autonomy talks

#### Population swings

that people are drinking more, seeing more

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# Art dealers deny illegal bidding

Three leading art dealers have denied breaking the law by an auction bidding agreement to acquire a portrait sculpture by Algardi. One of the three, Agnew's, is disputing a ruling by the reviewing com-mittee, which did not accept Agnews mittee, which did not accept Agnews application to export the bust to the Metropolitan Museum, New York, at a minister under General de valuation of £265,0.00 Page 3 Parents criticized: Parents spend for less

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# Concern that militants 'Register of gain spotlight as Labour events clash

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

Labour's fierce internal row over infiltration of the party by far left groups took a new turn last night when some shadow ministers privately expressed their anger over events taking place today.

Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, and some of his colleagues are to launch an attack on the Government's expenditure cuts at the party's annual local government conference in Leicester, but there is real concern that the media spotlight will be trained on a demonstration in London organized by the militant-dominated Labour Party Young Socialists.

The left, however, is challenging that argument by pointing out that Mrs Shirley Williams, a former Cabinet minis-ter, who lost her seat at the lest general election, is to speak at a Leicester fringe meeting organized by the centre-right Campaign for Labour Victory.

Mrs Williams, it is under Mrs Williams, it is under-stood, is likely to keep aloof from the Roy Jenkins view of the need for a party of the radical centre, but only if the moderate left will face up to the fact that they face a hard-line threat in their midst.

On the clash between the local government conference and the Young Socialists' demonstration, a Labour politician commented last night: "It is amazing that Transport House or the national executive should agree to both events taking place at the same time". same time "

Two noted left-wing members the national executive. Mr Wedgwood Benn and Mr Eric Heffer, are to take part in the

Young Socialists' demonstration against the Government, which starts with a march from Lambeth and ends with a meeting in Central Hall, Westminster. Another speaker will be Mr Andrew Bevan, the party youth officer and a former member of the militant tendency before was appointed a party

The factional disputes, which are at the forefront of the trade union and national executive commission of inquiry into party organization, developed another twist last night, this time involving the threatened expulsion of two members of the right-wing organization, the Social Democratic Alliance, Dr Stephen Haseler and Mr Roger

Fox, national organizer. Dr Haseler and Mr Pox have been expelled by their local Kensington constituency party because of their activities. The latest is a declaration that the alliance will put up rival candi-dates for general election to left-wing MPs unless there is a change of attitude by the

One of the seats they would contest is that of Mr Benn (Bristol, South East), whose son. Stephen, it was learnt last right, is one of those who challenged their expulsion by the Kensington party on the grounds that he did not believe in evolutions. in expulsions.

This relatively small incident has drawn contro-right Labour MPs to the conclusion that the national executive will reinstate them as members when the issue comes before the left-dominated NEC, if only because if they endorse their expulsion then the resistance to actions against the Trotskyist "mili-tant" tendency will be further

#### Elderly 'are | Libel claim forcibly removed'

Social Services Correspondent Old people are still being forcibly removed from their omes under nineteenth-century

legislation designed to take slum dwellers loto, workhouses. That is one of several issues of public policy that need urgent review, a discussion document published yesterday by the National Corporation for the Care of Old People says.

About 200 elderly people says.

About 200 elderly people are forcibly removed from their homes to hospitals every year under modern legislation en-shrining Poor Law provisions, the report says.

The infirm and elderly people affected have no right of appeal if the community physician decides that they are so gravely ill, or living in such insanitary conditions, that they cannot provide proper care for Miss Alison Norman, autho

the report, said yesterday that it was a clear example of old people being denied basic civil liberties because of overcautious, but often insensitive. attitudes about the right care for old people. Sir Alan Marre, the former

Ombudsman, said that many elderly people were needlessly deprived of the opportunity to choose how they spent their lives because of well intentioned but over-protective atti-Rights and Risk (National Cor-

poration for the Care of Old People, Nuffield Lodge, Regent's Park, London, NW1 4RS, £2).

# by 'Now!' publishers

By Ian Bradley

Cavenham Communications, publishers of the magazine Now!, are seeking damages for libel from the publishers and editor of Private Eye over statements in the current issue about the magazine's circula-

.. Private Eye has made several references in the past few weeks to the circulation of Now!, which was started by Sir James Goldsmith, the financier, in Sep-

In a statement issued on Thursday, Cavenham Communi-cations said that the average carculation during its first 18 weeks of publication had been 243,000. The print order had never been for fewer than 253,000 copies in any week, and it was 305,000 copies for the

Mr Michael Crouch, managing editor, said last night that a £600,000 radio and television campaign was launched last week to boost the maga-zine's circulation.

In 1976 Sir James, who also owns the Frinch news magazine, L'Express, brought a private prosecution for criminal libel against the editor and pub-lishers of Private Eye. H brought a total of 80 writs

and twice unsuccessfully attempted to have the editor, Mr Richard Ingrams, committee to prison for contempt of court A settlement was reached in May, 1977, which cost Private Eye, by its own estimate, more than £100,000.

Was Bernard Berenson,

#### European group may cure ills of Bath spa

By John Young Planning Reporter

Continental acumen in the management of spas may come to the rescue of the mineral water hospital at Bath, which was subsidized by the National Health Service and which closed down in 1978 because of financial difficulties.

After the evident abandonment of a £15m redevelopment scheme by a London-based consortium, the local council has invited new suggestions. The most promising, from an unnamed European group, puts the cost of rehabilitating the baths and installing a new purification system at about The scheme could reverse the

decline in Britain's once world for years is: what famous spas. Only Learnington he do in return for it?

#### A connoisseur's £163 art deals

the greatest art connoisseur of the century, prepared to improve" the attributions he gave Old Masters in return for money? In The Sunday Times tomorrow Colin Simpson reports on the story of Berenson's partnership with the art dealer, Joseph Duveen, which emerges from Duveen's papers. Those documents, held in the Metropolitan Museum, New York, show how Berenson participated in a series of art deals by which £100m of Italian paintings bearing the Berenson seal of approval were sold to American millionaires in the early 1900s. Berenson received 25 per cent on most of those deals. The question that has bothered the art world for years is: what did

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# service' demand falls flat

By Hugh Noyes Parliamentary Correspondent Westminsler

Mr Hugh Fraser's stirring call on the Government yester-day to establish by law a register of those eligible for national or military service as a response to the Russian invasion of Afghanistan was greeted with little enthusiasm in the

In spite of the general esteem on both sides of the House for Mr Fraser, Conservative MP for Stafford and Stone, only a handful of Labour MPs and about a dozen Tories, mainly of the many ballings and approach to the staff or the st the more bellicose tendency, turned up for the debate. Mr Fraser started off on the

Mr Fraser started off on the wrong foot by referring to Mr Barney Hayhoe, waiting on the Government front bench to reply to the debate, as the Secretary of State for War, a long defunct ritle in military and political circles.

A less warlike politician than

and political circles.

A less warlike politician than the moderate Mr Hayhoe, Under-Secretary of State for Defence for the Army, can scarcely be imagined, and the reference brought a smile to the faces of some of the most battle-scarred veterans, although Mr Fraser seemed scarcely to

Mr Fraser seemed scarcely to notice his slip.

Mr Hayhoe, when he wound up the debate, agreed with most speakers on both sides of the House that service on both sides of the most speakers. behalf of the nation, whether military or community, was an excellent principle, but said that there should be no compulsion. The Government did not believe there was any advantage in conscripted mili-

tary service.

He spoke encouragingly of the improved recruiting figures, which at the latest count were 27 per cent up on last year. That comparative figure had been exceeded only twice

Equally important was the figtree for premature voluntary retirement, which had gone down in the same period by 30 per cent. The Government did not believe there was any military or defence need for the register proposed by Mr.

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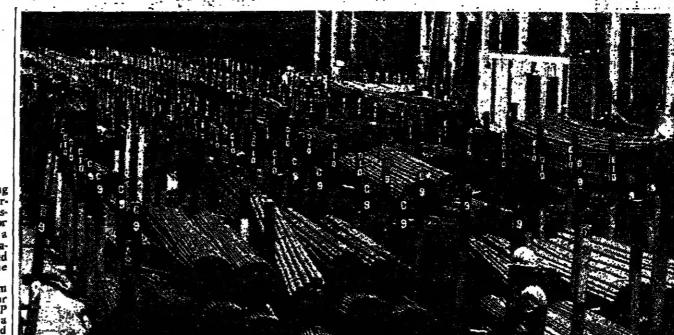
Mr Fraser, of course, will not have been bothered by the response by the Labour benches. Mr Bruce George, Labour MP for Walsall, South, for instance, described the motion as "nonsense on stilts", and Mr Tam Dalyell, from West Lothian, said it was ill timed, ill conceived, ill informed and irresponsible. ponsible. But Mr Fraser will have been

more concerned at the unexpected support from Mr Russell Kerr, a stalwart of Labour's left-wing Tribune Group, who supported a register but with the proviso that those included could opt for community service are the state of vice as well as the Air Force, Army or Navy.

As a counter to the hawkish Mr Kerr came Mr Cranley Onslow, Conservative MP for Woking and not usually assoagainst Mr Fraser's proposal because felt that professional soldiers, whose job was to defend their country, did not want

to be turned into youth leaders. Although it would be a good idea to have some way of identifying people, such as doctors, who would be needed in an emergency, he was against the idea of using the Services as a means of getting layabouts off the streets.

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Steel bars stocks awaiting delivery at a British Steel mill near Rotherham.

# Steel firms to seek job law changes Sir Keith Reform Society to establish what rank-and-file members wanted to do.

By Peter Hill Industrial Editor

Independent steel producers want an urgent meeting with the Prime Minister to impress on her the need to strengthen the proposals for reforming

industrial relations law.

The move comes after the decision by the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (ISTC) to withdraw its 20,000 members in the private steel sector from tomorrow in the wake of its successful plea to the Lords over the Court of Appeal's The British Independent Steel Producers Association said last night: "We have written to the

Prime Minister requesting a meeting. Everyone else involved appears to have seen her. The law plainly needs changing".

The association said that its nember companies would offer to finance secret ballots of their workers through the Electoral

£1m state cash

strikers' families

More than £1m of public

money has been paid to steel

strikers' families, Mr Reg

Prentice, Minister of State for

Social Security, announced

He said it was scandalous

be threatened by the strike". He told a meeting in Bake-

strike underlined many of the worst aspects of the "British

The lack of strike pay was

one point that showed that

unions were hopelessly out of date and were letting down the

working people they claimed to

The strike showed the

undemocratic nature of Britain's

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The private sector, which accounts for about a quarter of semifinished and finished steel production in the United Kingdom, said earlier this week that 85 per cent of workers had returned to work after the granting of the injunction.

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The association said lest night than counsel for the ISTC had said at yesterday's hearing that the wishes of private sector workers was irrelevent.

It is expected that last night's decision by the union executive will prompt the association to bring forward its executive council meeting from Tuesday.

It emphasized last night that it considered tehe present proposals for union reform conteained in the Employment Bill to be inadequaete

view of the association. He said after the ruling: "Notwith-standing this judgment...in the national interest it is essential that on no account should the steel strike be extended, since the private sector has no dispute with the ISTC. Clearly there is a need for the law in this field to be changed by Mr John Paterson, president

of the private steel-makers organization, which represents more than 100 companies, said: "We are extremely disap-pointed by the decision." The board of BSC (Industry),

the corporation's job creation subsidiary, yesterday formally adopted a target to seek 10,000 new jobs for steelworkers affected by the rundown of the teained in the Employment Bill to be inadequaete
Sir John Methven, directorgeneral of the Confederation of British Industry, echoed the

Denning judgment reversal delights ISTC members

yesterday by the Lords' reversal of the Denning judgment. Workers in South Wales said

yesterday they were determined to continue to follow the official instructions of the national executive of the ISTC even if it meant striking again imme-The men at GKN, Cardiff, and

that unions should be subsi-dized in this way, "partly by taxpayers whose own jobs may Duport, Lianelli, returned to work after the executive's instructions to do so earlier this well. Derbyshire, that neither of the two main unions was making strike payments. "Nor are nine our of the 11 other unions involved." week. The men at the Alphasteel plant, in Newport, Gwent, who were not involved in the original court injunction, are due to return to work tomorrow
Mr John Carberry, divisional
organizer of the ISTC, who is
responsible for the Llanelli
area, said last night his mem-Mr Prentice claimed that the

bers were expecting the execu-tive to withdraw private steelworkers again. At the Newport strike head-quarters, responsible for GKN

and Alphasteel. Mr James Brandon, ISTC divisional organizer, said: "If the execu-

Steelworkers were delighted tive decide to call them out again there is no doubt the men will respond to the call".

He added that the picketing of privace steel works would o on. The management of Metal

Box, which last night laid off 1,000 workers at its Neath works, said that it would ask union representatives on Mon-day to limit picketing to un-

The can-making plant has been the subject of continued picketing since the strike began. The West Middands steelworkers' strike committee sent a telegram last night to Mr Sirs urging the executive council to call them out.
In South Yorkshire members

of the ISTC, who were with-drawn from picketing on Thursday, were immediately called to rejoin craftsmen and transport workers

The company yesterday turned back four lorries due to leave with finished products to avoid a clash with pickets.

# may speak on dispute By Our Political Reporter

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, may make a statement in the Commons on Monday about the steel dispute. It was made clear last night that there would be a storm of protest from the opposition front bench if he did not.

Consultations between the Department of Industry and the office of Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Leader of the House, were held yesterday but no decision was reached.

Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, pressed last Thursday that Sir Keith should participate in Monday's debate on Wales because the essence of the debate was about jobs.

Mr St John-Stevas undertook to pass on his request, but since then the position has advanced with yesterday's judgment the Lorder. ment in the Lords. Unless Sir Keith makes a state-

ment or agrees to participate in the debate Mr John Silkin, Opposition spokesman on industry, will table a private notice question which, in the circumstances, it would be difficult for Six Vally and the Access for Sir Keith not to answer. Behind that lies Conservative

backbench concern at the TUG's threats of a "very rough time" unless the Government does not change its course on its policies for the steel and other tries. It may be that ministers will feel it right to reassure their supporters after talks with

Lord Thorneycroft, chairman the Conservative Party, made it clear in a speech vesterday that " the policies of the present Conservative Government are the only policies that can lead to national recovery On trade union law reform

he said at a lunch in Benfleet, Essex: "The last Labour government gravely weakened trade union law by successive amendments which have caused great disorder and uncertainty.

# want choice of abortion poll finds

Most women

Four out of five women think that the choice whether to continue with a pregnancy should be left to the woman concerned in consultation with her family doctor, a Gallup poll published yesterday says. The poll, commissioned by Woman's Own, states that one in three adults want the law made more restrictive and a majority (53 per cent) want it either to remain as it is or made more liberal

The results are to be sent to every MP before the debate in the House of Commons next Friday on the Abortion (Amendment) Bill, sponsored by Mr John Corrie, Conservative MP for Ayrshire North and Bure.
The Bill would reduce the upper time limit for abortion from 28 weeks to 20, restrict the grounds for abortion and limit the work of the abortion. limit the work of the abortion

charities.

The poll, of a national sample of more than 1,000, shows that four out of five women think that if abortions become more difficult to obtain legally, women would still try to obtain them by other means.

The Roman Catholics in the

survey were only slightly more in favour of restricting the abortion law than others in the Survey.
Although 40 per cent favoured

tightening up the law, 31 per cent were happy with it as it stands and 16 per cent felt that abortion should be more easily available. The respective figures for the whole survey were 33 per cent, 31 per cent and 22 per cent. Nearly three quarters of all

Roman Catholics agreed that abortion should be a matter of personal and medical choice, while only a fifth disagreed entirely with termination.

In the survey as a whole, a tenth were against abortions in all circumstances.
Almost two thirds of the

women questioned said that they would keep a child if they became unintentionally pregnant. Among single women, that proportion was a half. Mrs Claire Rayner, health counselling correspondent of the magazine, said yesterday that Mr Corrie had clearly introduced a Bill unwanted by the public.

#### **Boarding house** couple jailed for manslaughter

A couple who ran a boarding house in Harfield Road, Marsate, Kent, where a woman guest was said to have been found lying on a filthy bed, were both failed at Maidstone Crown Court. Kent, yesterday, for six months for her, manslaughter. They were convicted by a majority verdict of .11-1. The prosecution had alloged that the reckless indifference of John Jones, aged 58, and his of John Jones, aged 58, and his wife Dorothy, aged 54, led to the death of Mrs Mary Billing-hurst, aged 62, who was said to have been suffering from malnutrition and hypothermia.

#### Ship for scrapyard The stranded Greek cargo ship, Athina B, which has

become a big tourist attraction after running aground on the beach at Brighton 12 days ago,

# South African minister 'aware of certain facts'

Continued from page 1 expecting to reclaim it from their insurers.

Only later, after investigations by insurers for the ship (valued at \$24m) and cargo, did suspicious circumstances emerge, including an allegation by a Tunisian member of the crew interviewed by English lawyers acting for Lloyd's, that the ship discharged its cargo at Durban, was filled with sea water, and sunk off Dakar after the crew had taken to the boats.

Twelve Greek crew members interviewed by British lawyers are still insisting, however, that the Salem did not call at any port in Africa on her way from Kuwait to Italy, where Shell's oil was to have been delivered. A central mystery surrounds the identity and role of a shadowy "middleman", the Liberian-owned, Swiss-based company Shipomex, to whom the Salem was bareboat-characteristics.

tered throughout. The Salem was managed, operated and crewed by Shipomex, without whose knowledge it could hardly have called in South Africa and discharged its cargo. But lawyers calling at Shipomex's Zurich offices this week were rold that there was no company there, it was merely a telex accommodation

address.

If the ship did call in South Africa, key evidence would be the documents of title to the

to see if a cut on such a scale

Presenting a report in Lon-

is necessary," he said.

cargo presented to the South African purchasers.
Dr Schalk Van der Merwe, the South African minister whose portfolio covers oil supplies, said yesterday that he was aware of "certain facts" which might have a bearing on the Salem mystery. He added: "I am aware of certain facts but I do not want to say any

but I do not want to say any thing further. Those who handle our oil transactions inform me from time to time about the transactions. I am satisfied that in the past they acted in good faith in all

transactions ".

In Lausanne, Mr Robert
Scott, of Pontoil, said: "We
simply cannot answer quesotherwise we compromise ourselves visa-vis our cus-tomers. We have to be released from this position by Shell. It is really up to them to tell us when we can say anything, and when we can say anything, and
then we have to decide what
we want to say. Our position is
that as of now we simply
cannot say anything."
On the outcome of the matter
huge sums depend. If the loss
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of the ship and its cargo off West Africa was genuine, as the Greek crew maintain, under-writers, mainly in London, stand to lose about \$80m. If the Tunisian's allegation is proved, the underwriters will be in the clear, London insurers said last night, and the loss will fall on the owners of the ship and cargo.

#### **Public services** pay deal may be near By David Felton

abour Reporter Pay talks covering more than 4,000 public service workers last night appeared to be edging towards settlement. Union leaders representing manual workers in the gas industry agreed to recommend to their members an increased offer of between 15 and 18 per cent.

Negotiations covering 32,000 manual workers in the water supply and sewerage industry continued last night, and it ployers had improved their offer. The total package, which had

not been accepted by the four unions in the industry, was worth about 21 per cent. The water unions were seeking parity with employees in the gas and electricity industries and negotiators were awaiting details of the gas workers' offer before continuing talks.
Almost eight hours of negotiations at British Gas head-quarters produced an extra £1 a week for all grades, extra holidays, and improved holiday Union officials were unhappy Water Council's

at the National Water Council's insistence that the £4-a-week offer should be phased in over a period to next August. The total offer amounted to 13.2 per

#### cent on basic rates, and about 8 per cent for comparability.

The Government wants details to clobber the careers service. State for Employment, said that essential service was warranted, and if the Government

alter it but I shall go into it take over the service itself.

Government worried over careers cuts

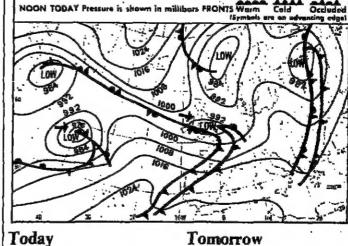
the statement that the Leicesterdon on five years' work of the shire cuts are unlikely to lead The Careers Service, Lord Gowrie to redundancies among teachers, said: "We have no evidence is balloting members on posthat local authorities are going sible strike action.

The careers service, provided is to cut the staff of its county rather alarming report from has risen to the challenge of the careers department by 40 per Leicestershire is being repeated.

No such rundown on cut in unemployment the care of the care for Early for the care of Vocational guidance interviews in schools and colleges "The Leicestershire report thought the service was threathas caused me considerable ened or youth unemployment anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would prove the service was threatrose by 30 per cent to nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. I have no powers to would rise as a result, it would nearly 1,200,000 in 1978, vocational anxiety. people went up by more than 200 per cent to 274,000 inter-The National Union of 200 per cent to 274,000 inter-reachers, which has questioned views, and job placings were maintained at about 200,000 a

year.
The Careers Service 1974-79
(Department of Employment
Careers Service Branch, Station-ery Office).

# Weather forecast and recordings



Today Moon sets : Moon rises : 8.12 am 6.30 pm Last Quarter: February 9. Lighting up: 5.20 pm to 7.07 am. High water : London Bridge, 2.37 am, 7.0m; 2.58 pm, 7.1m. Avon-mouth, 8.1 am, 13.0m; 8.24 pm, 12.9m. Dover, 11.53 am, 6.3m Hull, 7.6 am, 6.9m; 7.10 pm, 7.1m. Liverpool, 12.8 pm, 9.1m,

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
A depression will move E across
England and Wales.
London, SE and Central S
England: Cloudy, rain then
showers: wind W, fresh or
strong; max temp 8°C (46°F).
East Anglia, Midlands: Cloudy,
outbreaks of rain but sleet or
snow in N; wind variable,
moderate or fresh; max temp
7°C (45°F).
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Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

of sleer or snow; wind SE, strong, hecoming E or NE; max temp 2°C (36°F). SW England, S Wales, Channel Islands: Cloudy, showers or longer outbreaks of rain, a few bright or sunny intervals; wind W, strong, gale in places; max remp 10°C (50°F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland; Scattered snow showers, sunny intervals, frost; wind NE, moderate; max temp 1°C (34°F). NW. Central N and NE Eng-land: Cloudy, periods of snow. WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;

Sun sets t 4.52 pm

Moon sets: Moon gises: 8.38 am 7.33 pm Lighting up: 5.22 pm to 7.06 am.

Borders, Edinburgh and Dun-dee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Cloudy, snow at times with deficing dying out, perhaps brighter later: wind E. fresh, becoming NE, strong; max temp 2°C (36°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Mon-

day: Sleet or snow showers but also sunny intervals, becoming generally dry in W and S but further rain or snow later on Monday in SW; generally cold with widespread night frost.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind S, snrong, perhaps gale, veering SW; sea very rough.

Lesterday
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English Channel (E), St George's Channel: Wind W, strong or gale; sea very rough.

Irish Sea: Wind variable, light, becoming NE, strong or gale; sea mainly rough. moderate or heavy, specially in hilly areas, where considerable drifting is expected. Wind E, strong, becoming NE; max temp Lake District. Isle of Man, N Iteland: Cloudy, outbreaks of snow dying out, drifting over hills: wind NE, iresh or strong, gale at times; max temp 1°C Yesterday

# Dealers say they did not break law in anotion hidding pact auction bidding pact

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Three of the world's leading art dealers, Agnew's of Bond Street, Artemis of Duke Street and Eugene Thaw of New York, yesterday admitted to entering into a secret auction bidding agreement to acquire a portrait sculpture by Algardi, but said that they had not broken the

The question whether their agreement was legal hangs on the interpretation of the Auctions (Bidding Agreement) Act,

Their combined bid on the bust of Mgr Cerri at Christie's sale of the contents of North Mymms Park last September was £150,000; with auction premium, they paid £165,000. If their agreement was illegal, the sale could be declared void and bust returned to the

In December it became known that Agnew's application to export the bust to the Metropolitan Museum in New York at a valuation of £265,000 had not been accepted by the Re-viewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art.

It advised Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Minister for the Arts, that the export should be stopped for some months to allow a British institution the time to find money to acquire it, and suggested that a fair market value would be £200,000.

It is almost unprecedented for a dealer's export valuation to be challenged by the committee and Agnew's have made repre-sentations to the Minister disputing the committee's ruling.

Until yesterday it was not ablicly known that Agnew's publicly known man Aguers and made the auction purchase in partnership with other dealers. According to the 1927 Act "if may dealer agrees to give, gives or offers any gift or consideration to any other per-son as an inducement . . . for

It has been generally assumed over the years that that applies to parmership agreements entered into before

However, dealers have a wa out and can remain within the law; "provided that a dealer bas, previously to an auction entered into an agreement in writing ... and ... deposited a copy of the agreement with

Agnew's and their partners did not lodge notice of their agreement with Christie's.

It has generally been con-sidered that an agreement between dealers to bid in partnership on any lot at auction comes within the scope of "an inducement for abstalning from bidding". Both Christie's and Sotheby's say that from time to time they receive notice before a sale of such partnership arrangements. They agree that it does not happen often.

issued yesterday, challenged that interpretation of the Act. "It has always been and remains our understanding", they "that the provisions of that Act are only contravened when any person induces au-other who would otherwise have bid at an auction to abstain from so doing.

"So far, therefore, from in-ducing another not to bid, the arrangement was intended to enable a bid to be made which

# Air-rail terminal above Victoria station planned

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Proposals for a £50m com-bined rail and air terminal above Victoria station, London, are to be submitted to West-minster City Council next week. The scheme is the joint work of British Rail and Grey-coat London Estates, and is described as "a major step for-ward in achieving the most convenient and efficient way of transporting travellers by rail to and from Gatwick airnort".

The object is to separate air-port travellers from the comdaily, and so reduce congestion. The number of air passengers using Gatwick is expected to double from fewer than eight million in 1978 to some 16

million in 1984. If the proposed second terminal, the subject of a public inquiry, is approved, the total could rise to 25 million by 1991. About a third of Gatwick travellers use the rail link from Victoria, and the proportion is ex-

pected to grow.

To accommodate the rerminal, it is planned to set up a buge raft over the western balf of the station. Development not be needed.

#### Population down | Action promised but drinking and divorce up

People are drinking more, seeing more films, getting divorced more often, and having more children, according to Transport's executive " faces up the Central Statistical Office's ennual abstract of statistics, published yesterday.

The publication, which gives annual figures on a variety of subjects from 1968 to 1978, shows that the United Kingdom population fell slightly to 55,800,000 in 1978, but predicts that it will rise to 58,040,000 by the year 2001.

Births in 1978 showed an annual increase for the first time since 1964, and the report predicts a gradual increase of both birth and fertility rates until 1988.

While births increased, the number of children in 1978 who died before their first birthday another annua decrease, being almost half that

Divorces in England and Wales in 1977 were 3,000 up on the previous year, and almost three times up on 1968. More than two thirds of petitions are filed by women.

Wine drinkers consumed more than 92 mallion gallons in 1978, twice as much as in 1968

and a big increase on 1977. Consumption of beer and spirits, which fell in 1977, was up in 1978. Spirits drinking has

doubled since 1968. The number of people watching films rose by 22 per cent last year. A total of 126 million went to the cinema; it was the first rise since 1974 and the halt of an alarming slump since 1968, when attendance totalled

237 milaon. Pupils obtained more 0 and A level examination passes in the 1976-77 school year than in the previous year. The number of those who left school with no

qualification declined. The fall in the marriage rate continued in 1977. More people got married between the ages of 21 and 24 than at any other time. But the numbers marrying between the ages of 30 and 34 showed a marked increase. a sale by auction" he shall be guilty of an offence.

"This could mean that dealers do not act in partner-ship", one auctioneer suid, "or it could mean that they have forgotten that it is necessary to give such notice." to give such notice." Agnew's, in a statement

"In this case, however, having regard to the object in quesof the three parties concerned intended to bid solely on its own account but by joining with the others to provide finance jointly did put themselves in a position to do so.

It is early days yet for both Mr Ronald Marney, aged 50, who yesterday was well enough 36 hours after the operation to three sons and to spend a brief time out of bed, and Mr Nigel Olney, aged 35, Tuesday's

The idea for an all-emol

transport interchange at Vic-

toria has hitherto been rejected

as too expensive, and British

Rail has also claimed that it would be impracticable to build

offices above Victoria, as has been done at other London ter-

If the scheme is approved is hoped to complete it by 1984. Since the listed station build-

ings and the Grosvenor Hotel

will be unaffected, there seems

a reasonable chance that a pro-tracted planning inquiry will

on audit report of LT 'waste'

Sir Horace Cutler, leader of

the Greater London Council,

yesterday promised to take

action to ensure that London

to its responsibilities" after an

auditros' report on allegations

Mr Leslie Chapman, a former

civil servant and author of

Your Disobedient Servant and

part-time member of the Lon-

don Transport Board, has

claimed that public cash has

Sir Horace said: "It is quite clear to me that the differences between Mr Chapman and the executive are mainly of quantity and degree. But equally clearly there is sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the executive of LT leave a substantial managerial

been squandered.

of wasting public money.

But while some further transabout the raft would include some 220,000 sq ft of offices on six floors, which would help to plants can be expected, a rush to set up new teams is unlikely. Shortage of health service funds finance the cost of the terminal. and skilled staff, the need to Passengers arriving by car and taxi would drive straight follow cases for long periods, and a possible reorganization of up on to the raft, where they would check in their baggage before descending by escalator cardiac units is likely to ensure

them.

Professor John Goodwin, Professor of Clinical Cardiology at to one or two platforms re-served for Gatwick services. Hammersmith Hospital and a member of the Covernment's transplant advisory panel, says 'As part of the scheme British Rail intends to introduce a fleet that steadily improving results of specially built electric trains, at a further cost of £6.5m, to show heart transplantation "is no longer purely a research activity". Despite the numbers who could benefit, estimated at provide a non-stop service between Victoria and the air-

Chief constable

to prove charges

A chief constable, criticized in the Commons by Mr Alexander Lyon, Labour MP for York and a former Home Office

minister, yesterday challenged bim to substantiate his allega-

tions or publicly withdraw

Mr John Alderson, head of

the Devon and Cornwall force,

In the Commons Mr Lyon said Mr Aiderson believed he could create communicies where

police did the work of the social security and housing depart-ments without the overall

control of the local authorities.

"Nothing could be farther from the truth", Mr Alderson said. "I also want to know

when and where I am supposed to have publicly expressed my resentment of local councillors interfering in community policing. Or is this also a

"Mr Lyon has sought to

impeach my professional in-tegrity and reputation from the safety of parliamentary privi-lege by accusing me of irresponsibility. I believe it is

policing. Or is this also figment of his imagination?

challenges MP

By Nicholas Timmins

Britain. Both patients yesterday were said to be doing well.

eat steak and chips, to see his

Mr Keith Castle, aged 52, a

Battersea builder, has now spent

more than six months with his

new heart, and Mr Andrew Barlow, aged 29, is expected to leave hospital shortly, after his

transplant in November.

Expense curbs heart transplants not fewer than 100 a year and The early success of this week's two heart transplants maybe many more, he does not expect a big expansion in has increased optimism shout the future of the operation in

The Prince of Wales during his tour yesterday of the headquarters in

Esher, Surrey, of the General and Municipal Workers' Union. It was his

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general secretary, is behind the Prince.

"Tight cash limits are male ing it very difficult even to keep going with the work we are doing already. All of us want to ensure that our current work is getting maximum support before we embark on anything new, and it is likely that much of the funds will have to come from sources out-side the NHS." A report recommending a

rationalization of cardiac units,

with fewer centres doing more work, is due for publication this month. Such a course is likely to restrict new ventures. No single breakthrough has led to the more optimistic outlook after a voluntary five-year moratorium in Britain up to last year. In the United States Dr Norman Shumway, who has performed just over half of all the world's transplants, has been getting steadily improving results. About half of those who

survive the operation have a five-year life expectancy. A better understanding of rejection and new drugs have helped, as have improved agents for treating the infections that easily set in during treatment to prevent rejection. And a crucial factor has been the widespread acceptance by doctors, and apparently by the

death. In 1976 the royal colleges circulated tests to establish brain death in, for example, road crash victims, where the brain dies but heartbeat and breathing are main tained by machine. The tests are carried out by doctors unconnected with the

transplant, and if brain death is catablished the heart can be removed while still beating. This is essential for success surgeons say, as it prevent damage from oxygen starvation The Department of Health gave cautious reapproval for transplants to restart in 1978,

on condition that they were not done at the expense of other NHS natients. Centres perform ing them had to have adequate back-up facilities, including knowledge of treating rejection, and the operations were to be part of a planued programme. Transplants, however, are ex-

pensive. The estimated cost in the first year is about £15,000, and the department is providing no central funds. Although three of the five performer this year have been paid for by the NHS, the most recent two in Cambridge were backed by a £50,000 grant from the National Heart Research Fund, which hopes to raise a further 5250,000 and is in contact with two more possible transplant

# Popularity 'should decide a school's future'

By Our Education Correspondent

In deciding which schools to close local authorities should take into account as far as possible the views of parents, Mr Mark Carlisle, QC, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said yesterday. It was the least popular schools that

was responding a week after he and Mr James Anderton, Chief Constable of Greater Manchester, were singled out as examples of the "irresponsibility" of chief police officers. should close. Speaking during a tour of Senffordshire, Mr Carlisle repeated the Government's com-Mr Alderson challenged Mr Lyon "to support his political rhetoric with a few facts".

mitment to maintaining stan-dards in education and to raising standards in areas where the needs of children were not

From Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

Oxford

A telephone "hot line" for

motorists has been started by

BL Cars. It was inaugurated yesterday by Mr Norman Fowler, the Minister of Trans-

The system, which is new to

Europe, draws on computer records to tell a motorist im-

mediately whether his car is affected by a safety recall cam-

paign. Potential second-hand

buyers can discover if safery

checks have been carried out on a vehicle.

Mr Fowler, who was opening

child should emerge from 11 years of compulsory schooling competent in reading and writing, able to use and understand mathematics, and with a general knowledge and understanding of the world in which we live. That is a minimum ", he said. Education had to take its share of the public spending cuts; but it was his first intention to make sure that what was

a child's formal education, that

spenut was better spent than before and to see that as far as possible cuts fell outside the classroom.

Falling numbers of pupils made it possible to make saveing met.

"Whatever else is achieved in tional standards, he insisted.

is an important development

and I strongly commend it to

other British motor manufac-turers. I hope they will follow the example set by BL and install similar facilities.".

The number of vehicles that

were unsafe because of mann-

facturing faults was small but

the deaths and injuries that could result were real enough

and everything must be done

Between 1977 and 1979 there

were 158 recall campaigns, 81 for British-made cars and 77 for

imported vehicles. Not all the

to lessen the risk.

## Parents are blamed for impaired speech

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Education Correspondent

Children from all types of social background often start school with impaired speech because their parents fail to talk enough to them, according 10 a report published today. Parents are also criticized for failing to teach good table

More than 60 nursery, infant and primary school teachers took part in a survey on nursery education carried out by the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association. Their views are published in Report, the association's monthly

A teacher from Eurton-on-Trent said: "These days, in the affluent society, mothers spend too much time keeping their houses spotless and drinking coffee with their neigh-bours. They hardly ever converse with their offspring

Another teacher from a rural and predominantly middle-class church primary school said that she often had to do speech therapy because even children from comparatively homes spoke poorly.

"We have to reach most of them table manners, how to use a knife and fork, because in this age of convenience foods it is simpler to give them just a spoon at home

third visit to a trade union in recent months. Mr David Basnett, the A Bolton teacher described children who rarely spoke, were frightened of going to the lavatory, and could not dress themselves. Another teather said that she made a point of having a one-to-one conversation at least once every day with each

> Many children needed a lot of practice and encouragement

languate development Most teachers were convinced of the impartance of nursery schooling. A Bristol nursery school teacher said: "Research has shown that by the time a child is four he has attained half his mature intelligence.

"Surely we have here a unique opportunity to lay good foundations, not only for later. more formal education, but also for sound social artitudes

Some teachers were sceptical about the long-term gains, how ever. Teachers from a Doncaster infants' school said that although in September it was easy to see which children had attended the nursery school, by Christmas that was not so; and in subsequent terms there was no apparent benefit shown.

#### Cash 'dictates will damage education

By Our Education Correspondent

The Local Government Bill will penalize those local authorities that spend their money in accordance with local need rather than in accordance with central government dictates, Mr James Murphy, president of the said yesterday.

Hhe told the Stoke associa-

tion of the NUT that the union was gravely concerned about aspects of the Bill. Authorities would be penalized by having their following year's rate support grant reduced if they spent more than the Government thought they should have spent. "This proposal would subvert everything that local government has meant in this country: The ability of democratically elected representatives to provide the kin dand level of services that are needed locally and for which they have freedom to organize on the basis of a combination of central grant and local rates."

Education was necessarily labour intensive and sensitively geared to provide for local needs. It had been damaged by Government cash limits and cuts, and the Bill would damage the service still further, he said.

BL starts 'hot line' on car safety records

BL's new service headquarters cars are traced, though BL at Cowley, Oxford, said: "This claims in more than 80 per cent claims in more than 80 per cent of cases to have traced owners and made safety modifications.

To use the hot line a motorist must telephone Oxford 774663 and give the registration or chassis number of his vehicle. It cannot deal with cars

registered before 1975. The idea comes from the United States, where a "hot line" is run by a government body, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In America 11,700,000 vehicles were subject to recall campaigns last year.

PARLIAMENT, Feb 1, 1980\_

# Modern forces need 'The Professionals': conscription ruled out

House of Commons the air force, army and the navy Bloody conscript soldiers murch and the rest would include import-ing on to your and the navy you gone before." Mr Hugh Fraser (Stafford and

Stone, C) recalled this song from World War I when he urged the Government to draw up a register of those eligible for national or military service. He said that the song illustrated

He said that the song interrated one of the side effects which bringing forward legislation would have. He doubted if it would be unpopular. It would certainly scimulate recruitment and expansion of the voluntary services—the TA, naval and air force auxiliary reserves.

The motion he moved called attention to the establishment by law of a register of those eligible for national or military service. It

for national or military service. It noted the successive acts of military aggression organized by the Societ Union culminating in the invasion of Afghanistan and the growing domination of Soviet policy by the largest military and armaments machine in history. The motion added: "Now and over the next decade the greatest danger to world peace lies in the hesitancy of a sustained Western military and diplomatic response".

sponse. Mr Fraser sold it was neither a bellicose motion nor one calling for the immediate reintroduction of national service. It asked for

of national service. It asked for the first payment of an insurance policy, that and no more. The old Chinese military adage When in danger put out more flags " was no longer valid for the dangerous decade which lay ahead.

ahead.

What was needed was not the comporary cutting off of grain supplies or diplomatic relations or boycotting of one Olympic Games, but an adequate and enduring response by the West and perhaps sponse by the West and perhaps by Britain in particular. His proposal was the quickest and the cheapest means of show-ing Britain's allies and her enemes that the British were serious people. What he proposed was not an act of hysteria. Far from being aggressive it was a minimal act of prudence.

of pridence.
Mr Tam Daiyell (West Lothian,
Lab) said the motion was illrimed, ill-conceived, ill-informed nmen, in-conceived, in-mormed and irresponsible. The act of drawing up a register would be one more milestone along the road to a position where the nations of the world could easily head over Afghanistan into an unwanted war.

unwanted war.

No-on suggested the British
Army was trying to set out on a
world adventure by being in
Northern Ireland and in the same way the Russians were not trying to dominate the world by being

to dominate the world by being in Afghanistan.

I rhink the Russians (he added) never imagined in their wildest dreams that their action in Afghanistan would have this effect on the West, And if we are not careful, we are going to talk ourselves into a daugerous position.

Mr Cranley Onslow (Woking, C) said if these conscripts were to be turned into trained soldiers only the professionals now serving could train them. They would resent this as a diversion from their protects, said of contributing their priority task of contributing to the front line of the nation's

Some people felt the Services should be turned into a sort of youth club, getting layabouts off the street, having their hair cut. getting them to stand up straight and take a manly attitude to life. Professional soldiers whose job was to defend their country did not want to be turned into youth

He felt, however, that there should be some way of identifying the kind of people who would be needed in an emergency, such as doctors. Consideration should be given to a selection register Mr Bruce George (Walsall, South, Lab) said this country needed to reform the internal procedures within the inditary to make more effective use of existing resources. More men should be encouraged to remain in the Services. Mr William Rees-Davies (Isle of Thanes C) said it was not necessary.

Mr William Rees-Davies (1sis of Thanet, C) said it was not necessary or practicable to have national conscription. What was required was a national campaign to secure voluntary recruitment into the regular armed forces and a substantial recruitment into the Mr Eric Reffer (Liverpool, Wal-

wir and there had got to be tareful about the war atmosphere that was being created. They could drift step by step into a war that nobody wanted. Was the proposal for a register to deal with subservives?

He was not particularly happy

with subversives?

He was not particularly happy with the appointment of Major-General Kitson, as Deputy C-in-C UK Land Forces, baving read his book and considering the type of philosophy he was developing, as though this country had an internal enemy, meaning people involved in strike action. Was the register so that one could lead to conscription and call up people to conscription and call up people to deal with trade unionists in

to deal with trade unionists in disputes?
Mr Jonathan Ailken (East Thanet, C) said the register was the minimum instalment of an insurance policy that a great nation should make in the worsening international situation today.
Mr Russell Kerr (Hounslow, Felton Lab) eaid he

Mr Russell Kerr (Hounslow, Fel-tham and Heston, Lab) said he had in mind a different sort of register—a national community service register.

Youngsters when they got to, say, 18 at the same time as they registered to vote would be asked to fill in a form having on it 25. 30 or 35 choices. Three would be

ing on to your."

You would not be conscripts had you gone before."

You would not be conscripts had you gone before."

You would then state their order of preference.

Brone, C) recalled this song from World War I when he urged the Government to draw up a register to realise they were living in those eligible for national or military service.

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organised civil defence system. Mr Dennis Concannon (Mansfield, Lahr, an Conjostion sockesman on defence, said the motion would be seen as another over-reaction and was unnecessary. It was not required by the armed forces and youth would resent it. If the time came when they were needed and youth were told what was re-quired of them, they would do ha He would agree to a voluntary work scheme but manager in ought to be encouraged to give the young time off to take part

in it. Mr Barney Hayhoe, Under Secretary of Defence for the Array (Hounslow, Brentford and I be-worth, C) said the return to Britvolunteer Service had bromany advantages. It was cost-effective, less uasteaul, national service required back-up and a much larger tittinhack-up and a much larger froming organization than a modern
army required. The modern army
requirement was for a highly
trained body of mea and worth,
not without reason celled "The
Professionals".

The Government had inherited
shortness of many thousands of

shortages of many thousands of officers and men and, as a result. some battalions had one of their companies in cadre form, some ships were in the stand-by squad-

ships were in the stand-by squadron, and they were short of pifets in the RAF.

People had been leaving at an unacceptably high rate but the situation had since much improved. In the third quarter of 1979, recruiting had been 12 per cent up on the comparative quarter of the year before. Recruiting in that quarter had been exceeded only their before an 1951 and 1971. quarter had been exceeded they twice before—in 1951 and 1971.

They were getting people of the right quality as well as getting close to the right quantity. Acrolled the right quantity. Acrolled the right quantity of the retirement had also gone down by about 30 per cent in comparison with a service retirement. with a year earlier. The more's strength of the Armed Forces had been increasing the past few months for the first time for many

years. He did not believe that con-He did not believe that con-scription would solve manpower problems. It would almost cer-tainly make them worse by com-pounding the difficulties. It would require a diversion of trained-manpower, a dilution of training effort and would absorb scarce resources.

resources.
In purely defence terms. was no advantage at all in con-scripted military service. The Territorial Army was mak-ing a substantial contribution to ing a substantial contribution to Britain's military capability but is was still below strongth. With the improvement in the name, increased training and more overseas training opportunities, since September when they had launched a retruiting drive, numbers in the TA had increased by 2,000 and they were still flowing in.

He hoped employers would release TA members for their essential training.

It was estimated that a reinforcement plan to speed up

forcement plan to speed mobilization which the Gov ment had produced we probably reduce the time effective mobilization by 50 per cent, which was a significant gain. The proposal for a register would need legislation. Many welf would be required to administer the scheme in local offices throughout the country. National records would have to be checked

to ensure the register's details to ensure the register's details were complete.
Reserved occupations would have to be considered. This would be a difficult task involving decisions which would be bound to cause controversy. They would have to consider whether women would be required to register us well as men.

would be required to register us well as men.

There would be a considerable financial and administrative burden at a time when the Government was trying to cut nubbac expenditure and the size of the Civil Service. It would use a remierce those involved and be bound to create a climate of the bound to create a climate of uncertainty among young plants. employers and those in higher

education.

A general register going right across a whole age group would; not help as regard, military capability.

There is no intention on the Gov. ernment's part (he said) to re-introduce national service or con-scription. I do not believe there is a military or defensive need for a register. Legislation to this end would be

difficult to introduce into an al-ready crowded parliamentary agenda. Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexley, Bexleyheath, C) said it had been suggested in The Times today that Moscow ignored high American warnings before attacking Alghani-sian. He asked if the Minister would care to comment on that allegation which seemed most im-

portent. Mr Hayboe, however, shouk his need.

Mir Townsend asked the Government to look at the number of Russian inspectors in British factories which were supplying equipment as a result of trade agree-ments. They should consider whether these were an intelligence threat in the very heart of Britain's industrial military activities. The debate was adjourned. House adjourned 2.53 pm.

# Wine and nostalgia amid the 'vintage' gear changes North-west awaits tourist boom

sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the executive of LT have a substantial managerial job to do very quickly indeed."

From John Chartres Manchester

In preparation for a season that many people in these parts hope will put the industrial North-west of England firmly on the world tourist circuits, a group of British Rail passenger officers toured the city yester-day in a red and cream doubledeck bus with the words "Man-chester Corporation" on the side (thus dating it by 11 years), and a notice on the upper deck

saying: " hibited". The passenger officers have considerable influence in directing British and foreign holidaymakers to different parts of the

"Spitting strictly pro-

The season will include the re-enactment of the Rainhill loco-motive trials (won by Stephen-gear changes. son's Rocket); the restoration It is estimated that at least of Liverpool Road station, in 50,000 overseas visitors will

Manchester, to mark the 150th converge on the North-west this manchester, to the beginning of summer with the primary objec-passenger rail transport; the tive of viewing relics of both opening of a bus and tram the industrial and transport opening of a bus and tram museum in Manchester; and the revolutions that have recently relaunching of a steamboat on Lake Conniston.

Since nostalgia and the growing interest in industrial archaeology are to be the keynotes of the expected boom, the tourism development department of Manchester rother cleverly arranged for bus no 2150 (MOT

worth Art Gallery, the Platt travelling the same no 40 and Hall of English Costume, Chethams School of Music, Manchester Cathedral and the Wellington Inn ; paté, cold chicken salad and a choice of wines were served between stops and It is estimated that at least

been discovered, restored and put on show, largely by the efforts of volunteers.

registration no JND 791), a other exhibits going back to 1948 Crossley, to carry the the horse and tram are party. Flowever, some of us on board.
Visits included the Whit- no 2150 who distinctly recall 42 routes on trams, felt a little disquieted to see a 1948 Cross-

ley described as a vintage bus in the publicity literature. The sun shone and the skies were blue for yesterday's visit, giving the lie to that hoary old phrase "as common as rain in

#### Animal electric power plants generate interest Worldwide interest is being

shown in a machine at a Kent farm which converts animal caste into electricity. The Italian state agricultural marketing company, ENI, yes-terday signed a £200,000 deal for four. Nine other countries are interested in manufacturing

the plant. It converts droppings from dairy herds into methane. The daily waste from 320 cows produces 25kW of electricity and 33kW of heat, more than enough to supply the daily needs of a modern milking parlour. The slurry left ar the end of the process is converted into a high-protein substance which can be processed into cattle feed or used as fertilizer. The £60,000 plant, at Bore Place, Chiddingstone, produces annually £6,000 of electricity and £3,000 of fertilizer. It was designed by Helix, a team of architects and engineers at

Reading, Berkshire.

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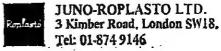
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# Mr Jenkins criticized for going beyond **EEC** ruling on butter

ter a year to the Russians

youd his authority.

Mr Luc de la Barre de Nan-

The French economic interest

Soviet Union came from France. Britain's attitude is similarly

explicable in economic terms since it is not a surplus dairy producer but, as the biggest net contributor to the EEC bud-

get, none the less pays the lion's

later this month in Strasbourg.

Russians to slaughter cows. The Commission, and officials

from member states, are to ex-

in the dairy sector.

Although the EEC is not a big supplier of beef to the Rus-

sians in normal circumstances shortage of feed-grains could

lead to a sharp drop in Russian

pect the military wing of the secessionist movement ETA was

responsible for today's artack

tary authorities ordered the

editor of the Madrid evening newspaper Diario-16, which pub-

lished the coup report last Fri-

day, to be court-martialled on charges of insulting the armed forces. The editor, Senor Miguel Angel Aguilar, had been given until today to reveal the source of his report. When he left the military headquarters this merging after being

this morning after being charged Senor Aguilar told reporters that he told the militury judge that he had not yet been able to determine which

Meanwhile in Madrid, mili-

The Americans have also been

share of the cost of subsidizing

teuil, the French Ambassador.

Brussels, Feb 1
A serious dispute has broken measures announced by the European Commission for curbing butter exports to the Soviet said his government was "most Union as part of a coordinated distressed" by the Commission's ist West to penalize the of committing the EEC politi-Russians for their invasion of cally in a way that

- Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the Commission, is being accused of exceeding the authority he was given by EEC foreign ministers last month when they agreed that any controls on agricultural exports to the Soviet Union should "respect traditional trade flows". The main attack on the Commission comes from the French and Irish, supported somewhat less vehemently by the Danish, while Mr Jenkins is strongly backed by the British, who want subsidized butter sales to the Soviet Union kept to the absolute misingum. ute minimum.

The disagreement started at a confidential meeting yester-day of the committee of permanent representatives in Brus-sels, and was provoked by Mr Jenkins's remarks earlier the same day to the political affairs committee of the European Parliament.

In his report to the Parlia-ment Mr Jenkins said that the Commission did not envisage any butter sales to the Soviet Union in the near future, and that any eventual sales would be made from the Community's stockpiles of old butter in limited quantities and at realistic prices. Except for small amounts of butter in 11b packs no export subsidies would be

Mr Brendan Dillon, the Irish Ambassador, accused Mr Jen-kins of wilfully ignoring the de-cision of EEC foreign ministers, and said that the ban on the sale of fresh butter to the Soviet Union would cause great dam-

age to his country.

"Ireland has no stockpiles of cow to look for extra external old butter, which are mainly in supplies.

From Harry Debellus Madrid, Feb 1

Basque extremists ambushed a small convoy near Bilbao this morning, killing six policementand hijacking a Land-Rover ammunition. Police recovered the Land-Rover and its cargo libour midday.

about midday.

The six policemen were members of the Civil Guard, which is considered a part of

which is considered a part of the military establishment. For this reason it was one of the most serious incidents in the underground war of indepen-dence being waged by Basque activists. The number of Civil Guard policemen killed was the bishet in any civile incident

highest in any single incident, and their deaths are bound to

heighten the tension between important segments of the

armed forces and the Govern-

That tension gave rise to a

report published a week ago-denied by the Government— that a plan for a military coup

and been thwarted. Police sus-

£266,000 theft

as bank families

are held hostage

Weinheim West Germany, Feb 1.—Two robbers escaped with more than Dmlm (about £266,000) when they forced

Bank employees to empty the

safe after taking their families hostage, police said today.
The robbery, one of the largest in West German history,

began yesterday when two men

20-year-old daughter to call her father home on an urgent matter. She, her mother, older brother and sister were tied up before Herr Heckmann arrived.

One robber held the family hostage while the other forced

Herr Heckmann to drive round the town, collecting keys to the safe's combination locks from

three bank employees.
The families of each of the

bank employees were taken to Herr Heckmann's bouse and tied

up. Herr Heckmann and his colleagues watched the robber

empty the safe and then they all drove back to the manager's

Nine men are to be charged in connexion with the kidnap-ping of Mr Rolf Schild, his wife. Daphne, and daughter, Annabel Marta, who were taken from

their house at Porto Rafael, Sar-dinia, on August 21.

Mr Schild was released on

September 5 and told to collect

a large ransom for the two

women. Since that time there

have been many rumours, counter-rumours and denials.

The kidnappers were por-

trayed as unusually harsh in

manner. They are said to have

threatened to have cut off the

cars of the women, to have mal-treated Mr Schild's emissaries

Rome, Feb 1

Men held by police face

and to have torn up bank notes kidnapping ring which abducted

which he had sent them as a the Schild family and other pledge of his intention to raise wealthy residents.

Schild kidnap charges

Basque extremists kill six

Civil Guards in ambush

## Military aid from France confirmed by Tunisia

normally exports between 10,000 and 15,000 tonnes of fresh but-

in maintaining subsidized sales of surplus butter at a high level is best illustrated by recent statistics which show that last year about half the 149,000 tonnes of butter exported to the sales illustrate exported to the sales illustrated to the sales illustr The three surface vessels and four submarines patrolling in the western Mediterranean were

does appear to have interpreted his briet from EEC foreign ministers somewhat liberally. His main aim appears to be to forestall demands for even stronger action from the Europear action from the to evacuate the wounded. The aircraft were sent within pressing for a ban on dairy exports on the grounds that such sales could make the American embargo on feed-grain supplies to the Soviet Union less effective. One effect of the embargo, this argued will be to force the

amine at a meeting next Mon-day the imposition of controls on beef exports to the Soviet Union. These would be similar to those now in force or planned

concerned with the ramificalieved to have been inspired by Libya, but remote-controlled from Moscow. A plot to de-stabilize Tunisia existed, he claimed, ever since the abortive

keeping a very close watch on developments in Tunisia, where the advanced age of President Habib Bourguiba and a sense of political frustration create favourable conditions for Libyansponsored destabilization. Tobal, a Tunisian opposition leader, accused France today of sending its Navy, Air Force and paratroops to save the Govern-ment of President Bourguiba. In a letter made available in Algiers, he urged resistance by all means to what he called French military intervention in

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Feb i Mr Hedi Nouira, the Tunisian Prime Minister, confirmed today on Radio Monte Carlo that France had immediately responded to his request for assistance after Sunday's terrorist attack on Gafsa, and dispatched naval units to the area, as well as helicopters and transport air-

"a very important and valuable presence". Mr Nouira said. The French Defence Ministry denied press reports, however, that units of the 11th Parachute Regiment stationed at Pau had been sent out to reinforce Tunisian troops in the Gafsa area. The Tunisian authorities deny that the three Transal transport sircraft and two Pums helicopters took a direct part in the mopping up operations against the insurgents, who had already been effectively neutra-lized. The aircraft only helped

the framework of the technical cooperation agreement between the two countries—France has Tunisia—which provides for the dispatch of French military advisers and supply of arms and equipment for the Tunisian forces. There are at present about 100 French advisers in

the country.
The 22,000-strong Tunisian army is apparently short of military transport aircraft, hence the request for French assis-

The Tunisian forces appear to have the military situation under control.

The Government was now

equipped with very sophisticated Russian weapons, were infiltrated from Algeria, perhaps with the complicity of local Algerian elements, but certainly not of Algers, in order to create trouble between the two

members of his staff were re-sponsible for gathering all, of the information in the story in case he considered it his duty to accept full responsibility for publication of the article. If convicted he faces up to six years imprisonment.

the Libyian Foreign Ministry today denied Tunisian Government accusations about involvement in the Gafsa incident.—UPI.

attempt at unification between Libys and Tunisia in 1972. The arrackers of Gaiss.

countries, he added. Relations between Algeria and Tunisia have notably improved recently.

The French Government is

Tunisia.—Reuter.

# **Princess Beatrix becomes Dutch Queen on April 30**

Amsterdam, Feb 1 Crown Princess Beatrix will become Queen of the Nether-lands on April 30, the day on which her mother, Queen Juliana, officially abdicates. It is also the present Queen's birthday when she will be 71 years old.

in their early thirties called at the home of Herr Martin Heck-mann, manager of the regional savings bank here. They forced Herr Heckmann's This was announced tonight by Mr Andries van Agt, the Prime Minister Dutch monarchs are not crowned or enthroned but are

confirmed as sovereign at a special meeting of the States General in Amsterdam. This is combined meeting of the upper and lower, Houses of Parliament. The installation of the new

monarch does not necessarily have to take place on the day of the abdication of the previous monarch. By signing the act of abdication the heir automarically assumes the throne. The installation of the new queen will take place in the so-called New Church which is actually one of the oldest churches in Amsterdam.

home.
The robbers left 13 bound hostages who were not found until late last night when one There were many expressions of gratitude for the years, more than 31, that the Queen had devoted to her people. Mr van Agr speaking on radio and freed himself and called the police.—UPI.

officers.

Eight of the men were ar-

rested on December 17 after a gunfight in the countryside near

Orune during which two people were killed and a carabinieri captain was injured.

The two killed were fugitives from justice. One man, the ninth in the list today, managed

Kidnap ring: The eight men. all farmers or shepherds aged between 18 and 39, are now in

prison in Nuoro, in Sardinia, charged with criminal associa-

tion and attempted murder in

the gunfight.

The prosecuting attorney said he has evidence suggesting that they might be members of the

television immediately after Queen Juliana's announcement said: "The affection we have for our Queen makes it difficult to accept that her parting is now near".

These sentiments were under-These sentiments were underlined by Mr Joop den Uyl, the Labour opposition leader and former Prime Minister, who said the Queen "had acted with great wisdom" in her role as constitutional monarch". Even the Datch Communist Party expressed the "respect and appreciation" it had always had for the Queen.
Confidence about the approaching reign of Princess

Beatrix was expressed by Mr Hans. Wiegel the Deputy Premier. We all know how well she has prepared herself for her coming task," he said. The Dutch newspapers today devoted a lot of space to the Queen's announcement. They addressed themselves, among other things, to the question many Dutchmen are asking: "What sort of Queen will Prin

continuing as normal.

Both Herr Schmidt and Herr Genscher have repeatedly emphasized the importance they cess Beatrix turn out to be? ". attach to keeping contacts open with the communists after the The Crown Princess herself once answered this question by saying that she will not try to emulate her mother because Soviet invasion of Afghenistan. But the East Europeans' reluc-tance to talk is being taken philosophically.

It is believed here that the the differences in character standstill in ministerial ex-changes has been ordered by the Sovier Union while it

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# were too great. Terrorists kill

Fiat plant

guard in Turin
From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Feb.1

Terrorists who last night raided a factory belonging to a Fiat subsidiary outside Turin and shot a guard in the legs claim that the attack was the beginning of a "campaign of the Communist Territorial Nuclei against Fiat." The guard was left to bleed to death.

The attackers set light to the infirmary but it seems that their objective had been the natural gas terminal.

#### Mafia round-up

Catanzaro, Feb 1.-Police raided a Mafia hide-out today and arrested seven Mafiosi in the middle of a "summit" meetthe ransom money.

Recent unconfirmed reports

The public prosecutor at Tem-said the two Schild women network engaged in extention pro Pausania today notified the might have been purchased and kidnapping in Calabria—and kidnapping in Calabria—AP.



Diplomats home: The six Americans and Henry Lee Schatz. It was the first at the State Department, Washington, to jubilant cheers yesterday but an even greater welcome was given to Mr Gilles Matheiu, Canada's Charge d'Affaires. The six are, from the left : Mr Robert Anders, Kathleen and Joseph Stafford, Cora and Mark Lijek

who escaped from Iran arrive home public appearance the group has made since flying into Dover Air Force base on Wednesday and Mr Anders, the senior official among the six, read a statement for all of them.

In his statement, Mr Anders explained how they escaped: "When the

five of us were working in the consular section at the rear of the embassy compound, some distance from the chancery where the main attack was centered. Thus, we were abel to leave the premises unobserved. We made our way to our homes or the home of friends. As the situation became more tense, we were able to move to Canadian premises where we remained."

Russia puts

# President Carter faces a new generation of draft protesters.

From Michael Leapman New York, Feb 1

President Carter's suggestion hat it might be necessary to reintroduce conscription has provoked growing protests on American college campuses in the week since he made it. Slogans and passions which have lain dormant since the early seventies are being given expression by young people-women as well as men this time-who do not want' to be forced to join the armed forces.

In his State of the Union ddress last week the President said he would seek authority to renew the registration of people eligible for conscription, or the draft. He added that this was simply a measure of preparedness and he hoped that nobody would actually have to be called up.

The protests took a few days

to build up, but by the end of this week dozens of colleges across the country had been affected by them. "Hell, no. we won't go "—the slogan of the anti-draft movement during the Vietnam War-was being chanted again by a new generation of students.

Reports of rallies came from Iowa, Michigan, Connecticut,

puts off

From Patricia Clough

Bonn, Feb 1

February 7.

Bonn talks

A sudden silence appeared to fall over West German dis-cussions with East Europe this

week after three communist countries put off ministerial contacts with Bonn.

The Crechoslovak Govern-

The Crechoslovak Government postponed a planued visit to Prague by Harr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the Foreign Minister, and Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, asked Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, if they could put off fixing a date for their forthcoming meeting. Yesterday Mr. Prigyes Puis, the

terday Mr Prigyes Puja, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, called off a visit to Bonn on

The Soviet Union also asked

to postpone a meeting of the Soviet-West German trade

On the western side Count Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, put off talks in Poland, and Herr Herbert Ebrenberg excused himself from a tarp to the Soviet Union.

uess between the two blocks is

Ohio and Massachusetts, and more are scheduled for this weekend in California, Texas and Missouri.

Ar Columbia University New York, the scene of some of the most publicized anti-war rallies in the late sixties, there was a scuffle between profesters and

a smaller group of students
who supported the draft.

During the fight, an American flag, which had been carried by the pro-draft group,
was burnt by some of the prowas ournt by some of the pro-testers, who numbered several hundred. A member of the New York City Council told the rally: "The President has made the young people of America and their families and friends pawns in his pursuit of re-election."

If young men are required If young men are required to register, young women may have to do so as well this time. Mrs Rosalynn Carter, the President's wife, has said she is in favour of this, and the President is believed to agree.

This proposal is being opposed both by groups which support women's equality and those who appose it. The larter

those who oppose it. The latter believe that it may be used by backers of the Equal Rights

Edward Kennedy today accused

the Carter Administration of generating war hysteria over

Soviet moves towards the Gulf

Mr Kennedy, who appears to

moncratic Party's Presidential

be trailing the President badly in their race to become the

candidate this year, said the United States seemed unable to

find the support it needed from

Nato allies, Japan, Saudi Arabia and other Gulf nations to meet

He was commenting on re-

marks made in India yesterday by Mr Clark Clifford, President

Carter's special envoy, who said : " They (the Soviet Union)

must know that if part of their plan is to move toward the Per-

sian Gulf that means war."

the Soviet threat.

Carter 'war hysteria'

Soviet block | Mr Kennedy hits at

tion in their campaign to get the amendment ratified in suf-ficient states to make it law. Supporters of ERA, however, argue that until the amendment is law and women have equal rights with men, they should not be made to fulfil equal obligations. In Washington yesterday some leaders of

the women's movement met to express that view. Mrs Bella Abzug, a former member of Congress from New York, said: "Women will York, said: "Women will never shirk their responsibility to this country but I think it is hypocritical and cynical after our working all these years for economic equality and inclusion in decision-making to ask women to demonstrate our equality of sacrifice instead." Mr Thomas O'Neill, the

Speaker of the House Representatives, said that the registration of women was anotheria to Congress. He did not think it would approved.

In a poll taken by the Associated Press and NBC News 78 per cent of those questioned said they were in favour of draft registration backers of the Equal Rights and 17 per cent were against Amendment (ERA)—which it. On drafting women, 50 per would enshrine equal rights in cent were for it and 45 per the Constitution—as ammunicated against it.

#### pressure on Romania From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, Feb 1

Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, re-ceived a cool reception when he arrived, totally unexpected, in Bucharest yesterday. This visit suggests that Romania is under increased Soviet pressure to modify its stance.

Mr Gromyko met President Ceausescu immediately on arrival and the Romanians rushed out a communiqué, which is not customary, emphasizing that whereas the Soviet Foreign Minister talked of the state of relations in Moscow and Washington, the Romanian president has been urging measures to prevent the present situation from threatening détente.

Obviously the breakdown in détente has made Romanie's independence act much more difficult and even more risky. But at the same time Mr Ceausescu has responded with toughness, suggesting that Bucharest feels this is more effective than meekly waiting and hoping for the best.

Romania went on record as the only member of the Soviet block to criticize publicly Rus-sian intervention in Afghani-

President Ceausescu has fol-lowed up by puring the army on alers claiming that if need be, Romania would rise "as one man to safeguard her inde-pendence and revolutionary gains".

that kind of talk is getting us Warsaw Pact, but not s'arwing passage to Soviet troops or former

very close to a war-type of hysteria." He added: "I think there is a war bysteria in this country Since the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, Mr Cesusescu has taken military measures which Senator Kennedy was cam-paigning in New England, where he will face Mr Carter Moscow obviously regards as an

affront. He has strengthened Romania's territorial army and intensified military training of

leading by nearly two-to-one in one of the primary states, New youth. At the United Nations. Hampshire, about the same as his margin of victory in Iowa last week.—Reuter.— Insurgents trained: American

troops from Afghanistan but it made its position clear by putting on record afterwards an official explanation which was as good as casting a vote against invasion.

Since then, and obviously in response to increasing pressure from Moscow. President Ceausescu wished to get some gesture reassuring Romania of the United States' continuing

#### Today Mr Kennedy said in a television interview: "I am strongly opposed to unilateral action by the United States in to bring them together under that part of the world. some sort of unified command. "We do have vital interests China and Japan join Olympics boycott

combat troops may have arrived in Pakistan to train Afghan insurgents fighting the Soviet-backed regime in Kabul, the Times of India reported today.

Working side-by-side to arm and train the tribesmen, the paper said. Pakistan, the United States and China were trying

in two important primary elec-

Polls show the President

The postponements have, however, been accompanied by assurances that the countries concerned are anxious to maintain good relations and have the meetings at some later date. On less conspicuous levels business between the two blacks is Continued from page 1 it was clearly inappropriate to

hold the summer Olympics in the Soviet capital "while the Soviet Union continues to occu-py Afghanistan in disregard of the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly ". The statement continued:

We support the call on the International Olympic Commit-tee to decide on the transfer or cancellation of the games, and we will work to promote such "In case the International

Olympic Committee fails to make such a decision, the Chinthe Soviet Union while it ese Government will ask the to fight for the fascists in the digests the reaction to its Chinese Olympic Committee to Spanish Civil War —Reuter, UPI behaviour in Afghanistan. France-Presse.

on this question so as to take necessary measures in concert with them."

China's Sports Daily pub-lished photographs of Adolf Hitler giving the Nazi salute at the 1936 summer Olympics and said world opinion would not tolerate a replay of the Berlin games in Moscow this year.
Captions under the photographs said that two months after the 1936 Olympics, "the executioner Hitler" sent troops

from the twenty-second summer ticipate in the Moscow games, Olympic Games in Moscow." the Minister of Sports The statement said the Chinamounced in Kinshasa. ese Government "is prepared Soviet alarm: The summer to consult with other countries Olympics "are unthinkable" Soviet alarm: The summer Olympics "are unthinkable" without the presence of American athletes, the vice-president of the Moscow games organiz-

ing committee said. Mr Vitali Smirnov made the comment at a press conference in Paris, the first given by a senior Soviet sports official since the intervention in Afghanistan and President Carter's boycott appeal.

The absence of American and

other athletes would consider-ably reduce the level of competition in Moscow, he added.
-Reuter, UPI, AP and Agence

# Mrs Sakharov warned not to 'spread slander'

From Michael Binyon

Moscow, Feb 1 Mrs Yelena Sakharov, wife of the dissident leader, Dr Andrei Sakharov, told Western correspondents in Moscow today that she was ordered earlier this week by the Moscow state prosecutor's office to stop spreading slander or reading out statements by her husband, now banished to Gorkiy, 250 miles east of Moscow. But Mrs Sakharov said that

a summons she received from the prosecutor's office last night as she was about to leave for Gorkiy was not to order her to remain in Gorkiy, as she had feared, but was in response to her request for better condi-tions for her husband.

deal with ker requests for hetter communications in Gorkiy and she should apply to the authorities there.

Mrs Sakharov has written two letters asking for the tele-phone to be reconnected to the family flat in Moscow, for a telephone at their new Gorkiy flat, for the Sakharovs to be allowed to contact their children in the United, States and for an exit visa for a family friend.

Dr Sakharov, aged 58, was sent into exile last week and is not allowed to send or receive any letters or telephone calls from abroad. Mrs Sakharov revealed today

that she had also been to the prosecutor's office on Wednes-day, when she was warned to stop her dissident activities. At a 90-minute meeting this prosecutor's office on Wednesmorning with Mr Sergei Zakhardy, a deputy prosecutor,
Mrs Sakharov was told that his
She was told that this included office was not competent to meeting Western correspond-

ents and reading out statements by her husband. On Monday she read out a

defiant statement from Dr Sakharov rejecting charges made against him in the Soviet press that he had revealed nuclear secrets, and saying he was will-ing to stand public trial. Mrs Sakharov briefly met

Western correspondents at her family flat after returning from the prosecutor's office today. She said she was very tired and

was planning to return to Gorkiy for the weekend.

Mrs Sakharov, a vigorous and uncompromising dissident acdvist, was allowed to accompany her husband when he was sent to Gorkiy last week, but no did not form part of their family. Mr Shihavey was called restrictions were placed on her family. Mr Shibayev was called

movements.
This morning the wife and family of Mr Alexander Ginz-

for two convicted Soviet sples in the United States, left Moscow for Paris to join her husband,

Mrs Irina Ginzburg was accompanied by her two young children, Alexander and Alexei, and her 72-year-old mother-in-Mrs Ginzburg refused to

leave the country earlier be-cause she wanted Mr Sergei Shibayev, a 19-year-old youth she and her husband had unofficially adopted several

up for military service last year, which made it virtually certain that he would not be allowed burg, one of the five imprisoned to leave the country for at least dissidents exchanged last April seven years.

# Guatemala embassy protester is abducted

Guatemala City, Feb 1.— About 15 heavily armed men stormed a bospital in Guatemala City today and carried off the lone survivor of the three dozen protesters who died in a fire at the besieged Spanish Embassy on Thursday

on Thursday.
It was not known whether the abductors were comrades of the man, who was badly burned or members of Suaremah's Rightmembers of Justemans a Right-ming "death squads.", which have allegedly killed and kidnapped hundreds of Guatemalans opposed to the Government.

The embassy fire started after police actacked the build arter poince schauled the binding on Thursday to drive out protesters who had seized it earlier in the day. Thirty-nine people died in the embassy.

Guatemalan authorities blaze started by a firebone. blaze started by a firebomb hurled by one of the protesters. But the Spanish Ambassador, one of only two survivors, said gunfire started as the police smashed into the embassy offices.

offices.

The man abducted today was identified as Señor Gregario Chuja, a peasant. The protesters said they were all peasants from northern Guatemala and had been demanding an end to what they said was Government repression in the area.—AP. Links severed: Spain broke off diplomatic relations with Guatemala today over the storming of the Spanish Embassy (Harry Debelius writes from Madrid).

Madrid).
A communiqué issued afrer an emergency Cabinet meeting in Madrid said relations between the two countries between the two countries would cease until Spain receives "a clear and acceptable explanation" of the police espaination essault and the subsequent fire in which the ambassador, Seño Maximo Cajai, narrowly escaped

death.

According to the Government,
Señor Marcelino Oreja, the
Foreign Minister, telephoned
the Gustemalan Foreign Minister soon after he learnt of the
occupation of the embassy by
farmworkers and rold him that Spain did not want the police to enter the embassy. The official communiqué said

that Senor Cajal tried repeat edly to reach the Guatemala Interior Minister and the director general of the police with the same message, and that he told police surrounding the embassy to go away and not to enter the building.

Brutality denied: Guatemalan officials denied that police brutality led to the fire in the Spanish Embassy and said terrestration. rorists were responsible for the

deaths.

A government sponsored broadcast called the deaths a "terrorist massacre".

The government broadcast said that when the police arrived the Indians responded by throwing petrol bombs at their and setting a room on fire.—UPI.

deaths.

# Romania is in a particularly vulnerable position, being formally a member of the US envoy

New York, Feb 1 .-- Mr George Kennan, a former United States Ambassador to Moscow, said today that the Carter Administration had over-reacted to the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and created a dan-Romania was not involved in the resolution calling for the resolution calling for the mediate withdrawal of Soviet Times, Mr. Kennan said: "We are now in the danger zone.

"I can think of no instance in modern history where such a breakdown of political communication and such a triumph

of unrestrained military suspicions as now marks Soviet-American relations has not led, Referring to the Carter
Administration's reaction to
the Soviet intervention in
Afghanistan, Mr Kennan said:
"The danger is heightened by

"The danger is heightened by the fact that we do not know, at this time, with whom we realy have to deal with at the Soviet end.

"If there ever was a time for realism, prudence and restraint in American statesmanship, it is this one."

Mr Kennan said that Washington, with its onen discussions ington, with its open discussions of possible military responses, had created a war atmosphere in which anything could hap-

Mr Kennan, who as a State
Department official and later as
Ambassador to Moscow in the
1950s helped formulate the
Truman Administration's policy
of "containing" the Soviet of "containing" the Soviet Union, said the assumption Mos-cow was now interested in moving towards the Gulf was one made by the United States

made by the alone. He said this assumption was a distortion of Soviet motives and had led to a "disquiering lack of balance" among American officials who were now contains armine Paktstan and can officials who were now con-sidering arming Pakissan and improving relations with Iran "Never since World War Two has there been so far-reaching a militarization of thought and discourse in the capital," he

"An unsuspecting stranger, plunged into its midst, could only conclude that the last hope of peaceful, non-military solutions had been exhausted—that from now on only weapons, however used, could count."-Reuter.

#### Jail clash deaths

Dacca, Feb 1.—Three prisoners were killed when clashes broke out roday inside Rajshahi Central Jail, about 90 miles north west of here-Fighting broke out after erders for the transfer of some prisoners to other centres in Bangladesh.

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#### Palestinian autonomy talks gather momentum

From Christopher Walker Tel Aviv, Feb 1

Much needed momentum has en given to the flagging Middle East peace process by a sudden narrowing of the wide gap between Israeli and Egyptian plans for the type of selfrule to be offered to more than a million Arabs in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

The eighth and most crucial round of ministerial talks on the autonomy issue ended here today with reports of progress from all sides. At the insis-tence of Mr Mustapha Khalil. the Egyptian Prime Minister no details of the extent of agreement on the powers to be given to the projected autonomy council are to be made public at this stage.

Although significant dif-erences between the Israeli ferences between the Israeli notion of a strictly administrative Palestinian body and the Egyptian plan for a legislative council still exist, both sides have agreed to accelerate the pace of negotiations in an effort to reach agreement by May 26, the target date set down at Camp David.

As a result Mr Sol Linowitz.

President Carter's special envoy to the Middle East, will return to the region later this month for another round of autonomy talks. The two gov-ernments have agreed to set up a new working group to discuss economic aspects of the Since the talks began here

on Wednesday night, Mr Linowitz has quickly succeeded in defusing the atmosphere of crisis which surrounded the autonomy issue. This had been the result of Israel and Egypt presenting diametrically meetings in Cairo and Tel Aviv

Maintaining the optimism which has become the hall-mark of his negotiating style, a smiling Mr Linowitz said today very significant progress was reached during these nego tiations". Differences were bridged and "substantial understanding was reached respect of a number

Mr Linowitz criticized a reporter who voiced scepticism because none of the negoria-tors would reveal the importof those subjects on which understanding has been achieved. Later officials con-firmed that it concerned mat-

ters of substance.
The official communiqué was more cautious it said that during intensive discussions tentative understanding was reached among the parties on a number of issues "

At a plenary session of the talks this morning both Mr Khalil and Dr Joseph Burg, the chief Israeli negotiator, agreed that progress had been made. Later it was learnt that most of the concessions had

but Mr Linowitz by May 26, but Mr Linowitz has smoothed the way for the deadline to be extended if talks are still progressing satisfactorily. His success in bringing both sides to accelerate the negotiating process comes after desling with fringe matters.

It is understood that the issues on which differences are still unresolved include the

future status of east Jerusalem and its 100,000 Palestinian in-habitants; whether the Pales-tinian council should be granted any legislative power; and the future of Jewish settle-ments in the occupied terri-

No ministerial talks have yet begun on the related problem of what is to be done if the creation of an autonomy coun-cil is eventually agreed between Egypt and Israel and then turned down by the Pales-

Questioned on this embar-rassing issue Mr Khalil said:
"We can never impose any-thing on the Palestinians. We are not speaking for the Pales-timans, we are finding a way for them. If they refuse to for them. If they refuse to take it after that, it is up to

Tonight, Mr Linowitz and his team of American officials flew on to Saudi Arabia Curfew protest: A synagogue was stoned by Arab youths and tyres were burnt in the streets of Hebron on the occupied West Bank today in protest against a curfew imposed on the town's casbah after an off-duty Terrell coldier was shown duty Israeli soldier was shot dead there last night.

for revenge by militant Israelis.—Reuter.

#### Former prisoners tell of beatings and electric

shocks delivered by plainclothes police

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# Torture in Mexico 'by hit-squad'

From Stephen Downer Mexico City, Feb 1

A young widow sat on a stage before an audience of 1,000 people in Mexico City and told them that pulice had murdered her husband.

Senora Laura Gaytan, aged 22. also claimed that after her Korea. Armando Gaylan, husband's death lost 'April in Señora Gaylan's brother, said the northern state of Coulomb he belonged to the Revolutionwas tortured, physically and mentally.

"One day an agent came into my cell wearing my dead husband's boots. He stuck them under my nose and asked me if I knew who they belonged to.
That is worse than any

physical torture", she shouted as silence sented over the packed auditorium at Mexico City's National Autonomous University, Senora Gaytan was one of

three women and four men on the platform who alleged that heatings, forcing prisoners to eat human excrement and the application of electric shoels tnok place in clandestine prisons all over Mexica They said that the torturers usually belonged to the "White Brigade", said to be a "hit squad" of non-uniformed policemen which was formed

in 1977. Some of the seven, Schora

US Economics Correspondent Washington, Teb 1 Mr William Miller, the Secre-

tary of the Treasury, declared today that he did not intend to

resign. He resparked in regard to allegations that he was aware

of questionable dealings by the

these are not serious charges.".

Miller's political future as a cor-

porate bribery scandal threatens to make him a political liability

to President Carter in this elec-

Miller knew that the company had spent \$500,000 on entertain-

ing Defence Department offi-

chairman of the Senate bank-

Senator William Proxmire,

Watergate was a cover-up and

this appears to be a cover-up", adding that his committee will

decide within the next few days

Yesterday, the Securities and

tion year.

cloud hangs over Mr

People's Armed Revolutionary Forces, known by its Spanish initials of Frap, when he was arrested in October, 1974. Elda Nevares told the

audience she had been trained in guerrilla warfare in North he belonged to the Revolution-ary Action Movement (Mar). The seven, all just released

from prison, denounced the cruel methods they claimed the Mexican Government was using to eradicate extreme leftwing apposition, or those suspected of being connected with it, and pledged their support for a national committee tormed to defend political prisoners, fugitives, exiles and missing people. Over the past few months

the committee, founded in April, 1977, has gained strength, it has joined forces with different human rights groups, all pressing the Govcriment to explain the where-abouts of at least 471 people arrested since 1974. lbarra de Schora Rosario Piedra, a 52-year-old doctor's wife from Monterrey in north-ern Mexico, helped form the committee after spending two years searching for her missing

Gaytan among them, admitted
Connexions with left-wing
extremist groups. Pedro Caystan Olvero, aged 35, claimed

She says he was kidnapped
in Monterrey in 1975 when he
tee has listed as missing have
was 21 and she blames the
police for his abduction. She trial.

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was not aware he was an acri-vist. But eyen if he were, "he has not been given a fair

She told the university audience of a telephone call from the family of an economics student, Abel Bernardo Valdes, aged 22, reporting him missing. "The family spent days looking for him before contacting us."

President Lopéz Portillo's Government, in office for three years, denies the exis-tence of clandestine prisons and the "White Brigade". The President is rarely, if ever, asked about them in conferences with the national and international press.
However, there has been a
conspicuous drop in terrorism
since former President Eche-

verria handed over the presi verna handed over the presi-dency to Señor Lopez Portillo. When the Echeverria Gov-ernment was in office there was a wave of bank robberies, assassinations of policemen and kidnappings, Even Señor kidnapped.
Last September President

Lopez Portillo announced that 1,539 Mexicone internal 1,539 Mexicans, jailed "for political reasons", had been freed as a result of an amnesty introduced a year earlier. Señora Ibarra de Piedra says

# **US** Treasury chief 'will not resign'

He emphasized time and sain that Textron has not con-firmed or denied the charges made by the SEC and that it has merely signed a consent decree, settling its dispute with

the Government, in which it promises not to make future At one point Mr Miller said f the SEC accusations that these are not facts, these are not charges, these are just allegations". He later said: These are not findings, these are allegations and they are not arried me, but against the company."

Exchange Commission alleged in court that Textron Inc., the company headed by Mr Miller before he judged the Government in 1978, had paid bribes of \$5.4m (£2.5m) in the 1978, that it had issued "misleading statements" to Congress and to its shareholders, and that Mr Miller knew that the company The first indications of Textron bribery were revealed during Mr Miller's confirmation hearings for public office in 1978 before the Senate hanking committee. At the time, Mr Miller said that he had no knowledge of bribery by Textron and deeply opposed

Today, he said that those who made bribes had sought ing committee, suggested that "to obscure their dealings," that been made by the Egyptian the integrity of the SEC is so he had not been told about great that its complaint against them, and that the situation was like that in a bank, where that agreement will be reached "Mr Miller. He said that it would be surprising if the "Warranger was green and president knew that a teller" was embezzling money.

Mr Miller denied today that Textron maintained a "slush whether or not to open hearings fund" to hide expenses used into the affair. in entertaining Defence Depart-Mr Miller held a press conmem officials. He said that ference at the Treasury to such expenses never exceeded answer the accusations. He 5100 per official and that he avoided many questions and he could not judge the accuracy of noted in passing that it was the SEC's assertion that such odd that the SEC investigation expenses totalled \$600,000.

## S Africa's policies bring a 'better understanding'

which was expected to make further moves towards easing racial tensions by improving working and living conditions for the black majority.

The President told Members

of Parliament and senators: "It is heartening that, in the midst of Partiament is heartening that, in the midst of disquieting conditions in the international sphere, South Africa is entering a period of renewal and development."

This was a result of the recent implementation of "positive policies which will be continued in the years ahead to the

Cape Town, Feb 1.—President Marais Viljoen said today there were signs of hetter international understanding and greater tolerance towards South Africa. Inside the country, there was a growing improvement in human and group relations, he seid.

The President was formally opening a six-month session of South African Parliament here which was expected to make in the signer warning of a comfronhas given warning of a comfron-tation with the Government over plans to allow blacks greater advancement in the

greater advancement in the mining industry.

At a press conference in Johannesburg Mr Paulus recalled that striking white goldminers were shot by government forces in 1922, but said they had since thought they would be protected by a National Party government.

But the indications are that a confrontation will develop in

tive policies which will be contained while the distribution of the country. The killing provoked demands or revenge by militant graelis.—Reuter.

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# Christian protest over vandalism

accused the Israeli Government of failing to act against perpe-

The protest, presented to Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, and foreign consuls in Jerusalem as well as to the news media, said: "The impression is persistent and per-vasive within the Christian community that the civil authorities have so 'ar failed to exhaust al' the possibilities open to them to curb such manifesta-

It went on: "It is not infre-quently said within the Christian community that the perpetrators of such acts enjoy a

The vandals, believed to be Jewish religious extremists who accuse the Christians of missionary activity and of profaning the Jewish character of Jerusalem, have smashed win-

Ministry of Religious Affairs have cooperated in a search for the perpetrators of the damage. But, desnite a number of arrests, the attacks have not

like these over the past year

Meir Kahane, an American-born rabbi. A spokesman for Kach, Mr Yossi Dayan, denied that his group had carried out the vandalism, but said he supported attacks on Christian

# have hired an assassin From Frederick Cleary

Salisbury, Feb 1 Mr Francis Zindoga, Order, claimed today that Mr Robert Mugabe's Zanu (PF) involving rival caudidates in the Southern Rhodesian general election and that a professional assassin had been hired to kill some of the candidates.

had been used to murder Mr Oliver Saunyama, the Zanu candidate, in Salisbury last month. Mr Zindoga, a member of the UANC, said that because of this some of the internal parties were now hiring armed bodyguards to protect their candi

Referring to a speech made by Mr Edgar Tekere of Zanu (PF) this week in which he said that the "accountability of leadership must be evenly dis-tributed among all members of the transitional Government firted perfectly into knowledge he had of Mr Mugabe's death

list.
Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the
Minister, said Mr to a declaration of war. It was strange, he said, that Zanu (PF), a signatory to the Lancaster House agreement should openly advocate the liquidation of leaders of other black poli-

tical parties.

Mr Zindoga also claimed that
Mr Mugabe's supporters held
hundreds of UANC supporters in Mozambique. He said they were in an area of thick bush and mountains called Mafudzi in the Tete province near Lake Malawi.

The attacks from members of The attacks from memoers of the outgoing Government con-tinued with Mr David Mukome, who headed the Foreign Min-istry, alleging that Mr Mugabe's Zanla forces were demolishing churches in the areas in which they operated and expelling ministers of religion.

In rural areas, said Mr Mukome, Christian marriages and burials were a thing of the past and babies were not being baptized.

baptized.

A spokesman for the Governor said tonight that Lord Soames was seriously concerned about reported breaches of the ceasefire agreement particularly by Mr Mugabe's forces. He said that since the ceasefire came into operation there had been 220 reports of breaches, the majority by Zanla forces.

Thousands of Zania men had remained outside the special ceasefire camps monitored by were harassing and intimidating pepole in the tribal trust lands. The spokesman admitted that the ceasefire was not fully effective but said there had been a marked improvement. The death rate in the country during the war had been 100 a

day. Now it was four or five If the mounting intimidation continued, the spokesman added, it could seriously affect people wanting to express their choice in the February 27-29 election.

#### Transkei judge orders police to free reporter

Honey, a white journalist who has been detained in the Trans-kei black homeland for nearly three weeks, and questioned on a report he wrote about Mr George Muller, the Transkei Attorney-General.
Judge Sextus de Wet upheld

applications for the release of Mr Honey by his wife, Carmen, and his employers, the Argus Printing and Publishing Com-

Honey's report could not be said to have been intended to endanger law and order .-

# Rivals say Mugabe men

retiring Minister of Law and party had drawn up a death list He added that the assassing

vant papers.
Mr Melville Wikiams said that

was not protected by section 13 of the 1974 Act.

(2) Was the act in extending action to the private steel companies done in furtherance of that "separate" dispute between the union and the government?

(3) The application of section 17(2) of the 1974 Act, as amended, where there was evidence of serious effecting not only the plaintiffs but, it was alleged, the nation as a whole, having regard to certain observations of their Lordships in NWL Ltd v Woods: (1979) ICR 3671 and in Express Newspapers Ltd v McShane (The Times, December 14; [1980] 2 WLR 80).

It was clear that there was a trade dispute between the union and 85C—a straightforward wage claim—and that any act done genuinely in furtherance of that dispute would be protected by section 13. The test that the House propounded in Express Newspapers was that so long as the act was done genuinely and honestly for that purpose the defence [of immunity from action in tort] had, to use Lord Diplock's words in the NWL case, "a high probability of success".

In NWL it was decided that provided the dispute was connected with one of the matters in section

work. "What he has done for the public and for the law is well known to everyone. I should like to add a tribute to him as a man and as a friend, a man of great modesty and great kindness, and it can be said of him that not only has he made many friends but what is perhaps more difficult I do not think he ever made an enemy. We shall miss his wisdom, his company and his friendship very deeply."

deedly."

Mr J. Melville Williams QC, on behalf of the Bar, said that Lord Pearson's unfailing courtesy and modesty had been a pleasure in all who had had the privilege of exercising before him.

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Duport Steels Ltd and Others v 29 of the 1973 Act, as amended. Sirs and Others if the 19.3 Act, as amended, it did not matter whether there were other matters with which the dispute was connected if it came within section 29(1) to (6). Before Lord Diplock Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Keith of Kinkel and Lord Scarman

But in the course of the Court of Appeal hearing the issue arose whether a dispute with the govern-ment would be a trade dispute, since the workers concerned were not employed by the government. Counsel referred their Lordships to the letters from Mr Sirs for the union, to television inter-views with him, and to articles in The Times on the steel dispute, in all of which it was said that the dispute was developing into a con-

frontation between the union and

Lord Edmund-Davies: I am

pose was to put pressure on the

Lord Fraser: Are we concerned with stopping the movement of

private sector unions did not want

to come out on strike. That, counsel said, was irrelevant and in any event the evidence was not

The Master of the Rolls, in re-ferring to the House of Lords speeches in the Express News-papers case, had said that they

were not hearly so clear on the test of whether an act done in furtherance of a trade dispute was subjective. Coursel submitted that the speeches were clear.

The Master of the Rolls found

the government.

members of the union to break their contracts of employment with the plaintiffs by striking or interfering with the supply of steel or steel products to or from the plaintiffs or by taking any other industrial action. reluctant to have these editorial views as distinct from what Mr Sirs said.

Mr Melville Williams read an affidavit on behalf of the plainuffs by Mr A. H. Mortimer, director general of the British Independent Steel Producers Association, saying that its effect was that the dispute with BSC had stopped and changed into a separate dispute with the covernment. There was also an affidavit by the defendant Mr Bramley which included statements that the umon had had many requests from unions abroad asking how Lord Diplock, who presided, said that, for reasons that he would give in writing later, he would give in writing later, he did not think that there were any relevant differences between the case and that of Express Newspopers Ltd r McShane, recently decided in the House. The decision of the appeal was governed by that decision, and the Court of Appeal had been wrong in holding that it was not. the umon had had many requests from unions abroad asking how they could distinguish between "black" and "non-black" steel; that when the whole industry was on strike it would help BSC to increase its offer; that while BSC remained a wholly-owned subsidiary of the government, pressure must be put on the government or relax its hold on BSC purse strings just as if it were a public company; and that though the government was a political body, the union's purpose was to put pressure on the

The appeal hearing followed leave to appeal granted by the Appeal Committee Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser and Lord Scarmain on January 31 to Mr William Sirs, the confederation general secretary, Mr Leslie Bramley, president, and Mr Edward Makeniere, vice-president, The Court piece, vice-oresident. The Court of Appeal refused leave in appeal from their decision, reversing Mr Justice Kenneth Jones in

The House of Lords allowed an

interlocutory appeal by officers of the fron and Steel Trades Con-

tederation and discharged an injunction granted by the Court of Appeal (the Master of the

Rolls, Lord Justice Litation and Lord Justice Ackner) (The Times, January 28) to 16 private sector

steel companies restrateing the union officers from instructing

Section 13(1) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act, 1974, as amended by section 3(2) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Amendment) Act, 1976, provides; "An act done by a person in contemplation or provides: An act none by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a made dispute shall not be actionable in tort on the ground only—(a)—that it induces another person to break a contract or interferes or induces

contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute, the court shall, in exercising its discretion whether or regard to the likelihood of that party's succeeding at the trial of the action in establishing the matter or matters which would, under any provision of section 13, 14(2) or 15 above, afford a defence on the provision of the section 2.

Mr J. Melville Williams, QC. and Mr J. Metville Williams, Qc. and Mr John Hendy for the defendants; Mr Alexander Irvine, QC, and Mr Christopher Carr for the plaintiff steel companies.

Lord Diplock said that their Lordships had read all the relevant papers.

the proceedings arose out of the national steel strike called by ISTC for January 2. By a decision of the ution's executive committee on January 16 the strike was to be extended to the 16 private steel manufacturers, with whom there was no dispute. The defendants said that they took that decision in furtherance of their trade dispute with the British Steel Corporation, to make their strike action more effective so as to bring it to an earlier end by strengthening their pressure on the

corporation.

Three issues had been argued before the Court of Appeal:

(1) Was there just that trade dispute or was there another dispute as well, between the union and the government, separate and distinct from it. It was on that artificial construction of the evidence that the Court of Appeal, certainly the Master of the Rolls, had come to the decision that it was not protected by section 13 of the 1974 Act.

(2) Was the act in extending

#### Tribute to Lord Pearson

Lord Diplock, in a tribute to Lord Pearson who died on Thursday,

Pearson who died on Thursday, said:

"He had a long and very distinguished career. He was a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary and a member of the Appellare Committee of this House from 1965 until 1974, and he has, during his long life, rendered yeoman service not only to the judiciary and the law but to the country generally in a wider sphere as a member of committees dealing with the law and dealing with much wider subjects, particularly in the field of industrial relations and as the chairman of the Royal Commission on the law relating to personal injuries, which he chaired after his retirement from his judicial work.

Steel injunction contrary to Lords decision

of the judge. not whether there was a dispute

Mith the private sector, as the Master of the Rolls had said. His Lordship seemed to have got the question wrong. The conclusion to be drawn from the NVL case was be drawn from the NWL case was that what section 17 (2) did was to require the court to consider, on the evidence available, the chance of success of the defence and balance that against the probable degree of damage. In the present case there was an overwhelming likelihood of the defence of impurity succeeding at the right. of immunity succeeding at the trial. The evidence of economic disaster was speculative and should not be given the weight the Court of Appeal had given it. The judge had exercised his discretion on proper grounds.

grounds.

Mr Irvine, for the plaintiff companies, said that they had been gravely concerned by the extension of the strike to their sector. Their concern was for their customers. They decided that the dispute had become one with the government and that intervention in the private sector would be a means of compelling the government to alter a decision which was a proper exercise by the governa proper exercise by the govern-ment of its statutory functions under the Iron and Steel Act,

They started the present pro-ceedings in full knowledge of the recent House of Lords decisions on the width of the immunity under the 1974 Act. But they were complaining of acts unlawful at common law; and it was for the common law; and it was for the defendants to establish that the action they were proposing would be in furtherance of a trade dispute. They also took the view that if the strike went on it would have disastrous consequences for the national interest and were also aware of the passages in House with stopping the movement of steel or imports from abroad? Counsel: Not really, There was not much discussion about that in the Court of Appeal. The position about picketing before this strike was somewhat blurred. Counsel complained that the Master of the Rolls in his judgment had emphasized that the provide sector retires did not reach aware of the passages in House of Lords judgments to the effect that dire consequences of indus-trial action, if unrestricted, might sometimes favour an injunction.

somedimes lavour an injunction.

The private steel firms thought it proper to bring their claim before the courts as far as the Court of Appeal and were prepared to be told that the defendants enjoyed statutory immunity. But, rightly or wrongly, they felt that the factor of the present case which might differentiate it from previous cases was that the object of the industrial action was not merely to put them out of husiness and shut down the private steel sector but to cripple manufacturing industry and the community as a whole in order to compel the government to change its policy. It was felt that the government was being attacked qua government. than event the evidence was not clear cut on that issue. Everyone was reluctant to come out on strike; at least the union regarded it as a last resort. There was a difference between rejuctance to strike and recognition that it might be justifiable.

Before the Court of Appeal the court expressed the view in argu-ment that there appeared to he two disputes—a trade dispute and a separate dispute with the

The Master of the Rolls found that there was a separate dispute with the government which was not covered by the immunity granted by section 13. But, counsel submitted, it was all part of the same dispute. The defendants had good ground for thinking that in the NVL case the House of Lords had had regard to the fact that such cases, although interlocutory, almost invariably disposed of the issue.

Again Lord Demains in deciding Lord Diplock: In connexion with the trade dispute?
Counsel: To the extent that it is hetween union and government it could not be a trade dispute.
The material point was whether what was done in pursuance of the colorical dispute was an act done posed of the issue.

Again Lord Denning, in deciding that what he called "the second dispute" was not a dispute between employers and workers but between the union and the government, had said that counsel's suggestion that "the second dispute" was in fortherance of the earlier dispute with BSC, might be a question on the facts and that "it does not depend on a state of mind or anything of that kind". Counsel submitted that it did depend on the state of mind of the what was one in pursuance of the political dispute was an act done in furtherance of a trade dispute. The Court of Appeal had regarded it as at least arguable that the extension to the private sector was political and not a trade dispute, and attention was perhaps diverted away from the question whether acts in furtherance of a political dispute might in addition be acts in furtherance of a trade dispute. The main thrust of the argument pend on the state of mind of the union officers.

Lord Diplock: It was clearly a for the defendants was that the political dispute was a trade dispute because of its connexion with on the question of the court's residual discretion to grant an injunction. Lord Denning had stressed that there was good ground for argument that the so-called defence—the immunity under section 13—was not likely to succeed because walling and the court of the court's court of the court's residual to the court's court of the court's residual to the court of the court o between BSC and the union.

On the facts there was undoubtedly a political dispute, but as a matter of law counsel accepted that the relevant question was whether what was done was in furtherance of a trade dispute and that depended on the proper

under section 13—was not likely to succeed because calling out the private steel workers would have such a disastrous effect on the economy and wellbeing of the country. That raised the argument that if the defendants were right they appeared to think that their acts and those they were threatening might bring the steel strike gestion began with Lord Justice to a speedy conclusion and would benefit the nation. There was that

Lord Diplock called attention to the use in the Court of Appeal puddients of the words "our distribution". The House had decided to the contrary—that the distribution is the infliction of the contrary—that the distribution is the contrary—that the contrary that the contrary

to the contrary—that the dis- great damage on an innocent cretion to be exercised was that public.

Lord Edmund-Davies: Can you say the object of which?
Counsel said that he might equally say an object. There was no logical stopping point between what the union here proposed and a general strike to persuade the government to alter its points.

Lord Scarman : Is it a necessary implication of your submission that Parliament by this section has made a general strike unlawful? Counsel: I would say that acts the object of which was not to set up a chain of trade or com-mercial consequences but to bring pressure to bear on the govern-ment of the day to after its econumic policy might not qualify as acts in furtherance of a trade dispute. The House should hold that in order to qualify as an acl in furtherance of a trade dispute the act must be aimed at the adversary in the dispute, in the sense that it is designed either to have an immediate trade or industrial consequence on him or to set up a chain of trade or industrial rause and effect that would have that adverse impact on him. In the present case the action was taken primarily against the government and did not have in any way the object of coercing BSC.

Could Parliament have intended to confer immunity on tortious acts the object of which was to bring the object of which was a tring pressure to hear on the covernment to change a lawful decision it had arrived at in the exercise of its statutory powers in the public interest in favour of a minority and act in a way it would not have done but for the coercion?

Lord Scarman: I think you are submitting that in construing section 13 you have to do two things: determine the nature of the act; and then, on the subjective basis, the honest purpose of the persons committing those acts.

Counsel said that "acting in furtherance of a trade dispute" connoted acts which either of themselves had an judustrial or commercial consequence or were intended to set up a chain of industrial or commercial con-

Lord Diplock: Parliament might In 1974 have assumed that those exercising that immunity would act responsibly. Maybe the section has an effect which Parliament did not contemplate. But it is for Parliament and my for the for Parliament and pot for the House to alter that.

House to alter that.

Counsel said that all he asked their Lordships to hold was that Parliament could not have been prepared in 1974 to accept the coercion of government in the interests of the legitimate objectives of the 1974 Act which were confined to pure trade disputes. The present argument had not been out fully to the Court of heen put fully to the Court of Appeal and it was not dealt with in their judgments. It was clear the consequences would be disastrous for the private steel

Lord Scarman said that one of the matters troubling him was the residual discretion in the court under section 17(2). One of the factors to which the court must give attention was whether it would be possible, before the damage developed irretrievably, for the government by action of some sort or other—by logislation or whatever—to avert damage to the welfare of the state. That was the concern of government. Judges were concerned with justice; the government was concerned with welfare, safety and all the other matters of security.

Counsel said that renewed appli-

Counsel said that renewed appli-cations could always be made to the judge. consequences were more grievous or in the case of impending en-vironmental disaster, the court wironmental distaster, the court might be more ready to grant an injunction. He accepted that the discretion was that of the trial judge, but the judge here had not exercised his discretion—he might have felt that, as a result of Express Newspapers, discretion as a matter of law did not exist. After adjourning to the Cham-ber their Lordships announced the

#### unanimous decision to allow the appeal with costs. Solicitors: Russell Jones & Walker; Allen & Overy.

# The Vikings are coming

On February 14th 1980 The Vikings Exhibition will open at the British Museum and run for five months until July 20th. The exhibition gives a glimpse in to the life of the Vikings who transformed the political and economic map of Europe a thousand years ago. To tell the story of the Vikings about 500 items will be assembled from over 40 institutions in nine countries.

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Jerusalem. Feb 1.—Leaders of the Christian community in obscene slogans on a Christian Rachel Drori of the Ministry of Religious Affairs, said.

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and damaged property.

The protest was signed by the Rev Roy Kreider, of the United Christian Council in Israel.

The clerg Christian Information Centre, and Father Bargil Pixner, of the Downition Abbey. They represent the Roman Catholic and most of the Protestant denomi-

damage at its own expense, and the police and officials of the

The clergymen called for an Christian Councili, of the auternationally guaranteed Christian Information Centre, and Father Bargil Pixner, of the rights and liberties of the three great monotheistic faiths in Jerusalem", Father Mancini

Mr Teddy Kollck, the Mayor of Jerusalem, ordered that the city should repair all the damage at its own account. sites in Jerusalem.

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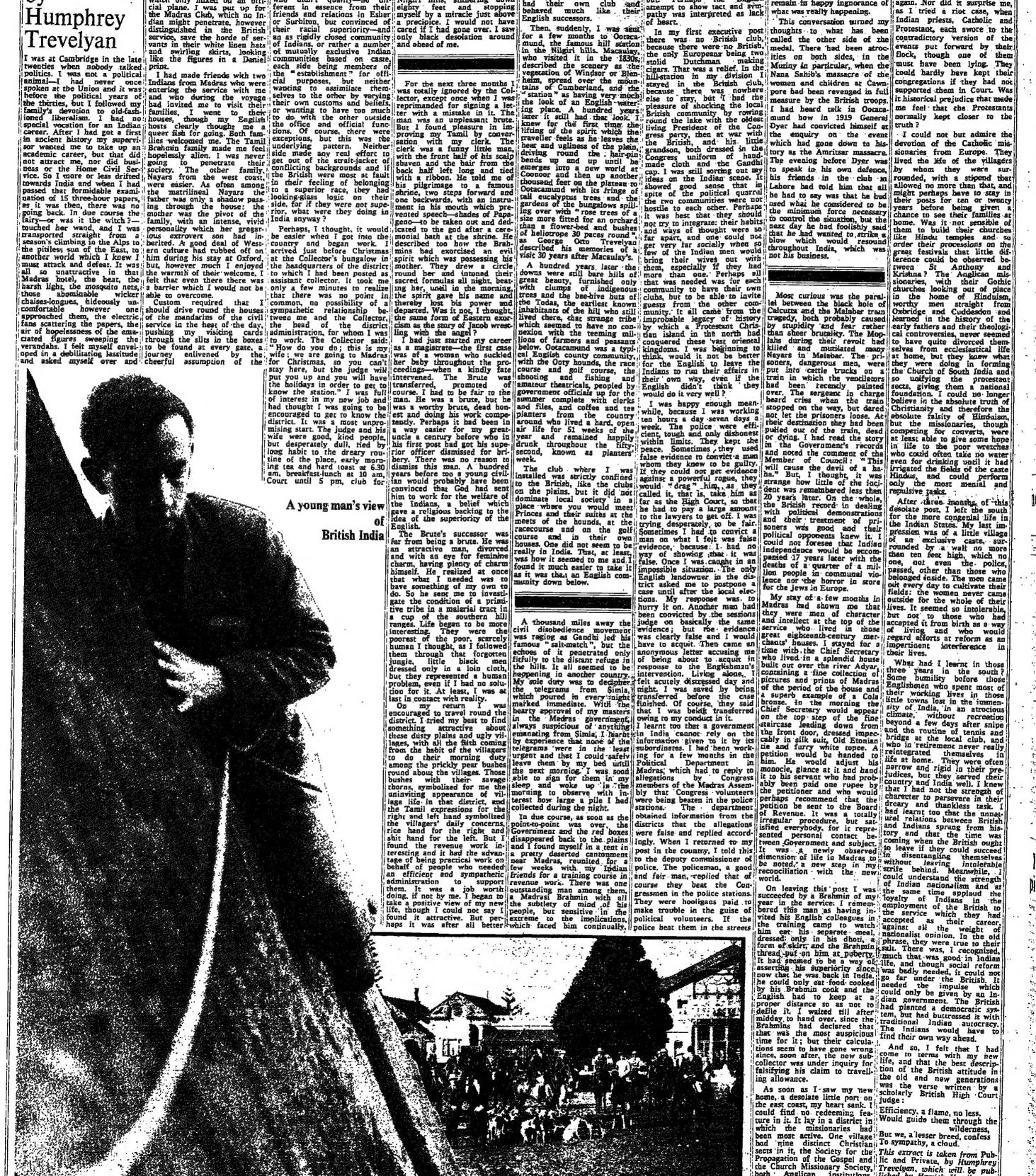
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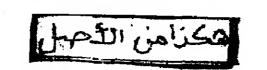
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# Paperbacks of the month المعمالة المعم

#### Master's voice

P. G. WODEHOUSE: Company for Henry; A Pelican at Bland-ings (Penguin, 95p and £1.25). Penguin have recently been toring up riches for themselves in the hereafter (and probably not doing their immediate finances any harm) by reissuing Wodehouse in paperback at the rate of one a month. Here are two country-house sagas from the late nineteen sixties, neither of them first-growth but both studded with vintage moments. Company for Henry opens unpromisingly. There's nothing wrong with the situation: actor unexpectedly inherits architect-urally worthles: and financially ruinous mansion which he hopes to sell to rich American relative. The early locations—Sussex and Valley Fields (Dulwich)—and minor characters—jolly slip-of-a-niece encumbered with wastral beacher and with wastrel brother and wet fiance—also bode well. But Wodehouse is obviously bored with the unwilling man of property before the story heguns, so the early writing is flat, the humour forced, and the

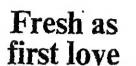
the best of us have off-days. O ye of little foith! "And the minstrel, tuning his harp, prepares to sing of J. Wendell Stickney". At these, the opening words of Chapter 3, the experienced Wode-housian's heart leaps, recognizing instantly that The Muster has ripped through the gears from first to top. As so often, the transformation is signalled by bathos and accomplished by a change of scene to New York where the eventual acus ex machina is preparing for his trip to England, accompanied by a delinquent aunt (a rarily in the Wodehouse canon of aunts) and a disapproving

Things hot up at Ashby Paradene on their arrival, and th. company is soon reininreed th. company is soon reinforced by a brace of impostors, a temporary butler suffering from terminal depression ("But Mr Ferris, if there were no mar-riages, what would become of posterity?" "I see no need for posterity, Mr Clarkson", and an appalling stock-broker, described as the sort of man who calls you "laddie" and begs to stop him if you've heard this one, well knowing that pobody within the memory that nobody within the memory of man has ever stopped him Rural life has its usual hazards. Eighteenth century

paper-weights get stolen (though with their owner's consent), marauders prowl in the moon-light, vicars organize school-treats, and there is an engaging oddity in the shape of a bailiff with a pathological urge to propose to cooks whenever the

conversation flags. An objective critic would doubtless point to similarities in the plotting of Henry and A Pelican at Blandings. In the latter, it is a picture which needs to be stolen, the Amerithey seem, and impostors come, are exposed, and go only to return in yet more un-likely guises, with hewildering rapidity. The Empress refuses a potato, the Duke of Dunstable is thwarted from marrying above himself and from having Emsworth committed, and the course of true love is temporarily deflected by legal complications. The book opens with a rare glimpse of Clarence's idea of heaven—a Blandings without secretaries or sisters where a man can or sisters where a man can dine off leg of lamb and roly-poly pudding in the library without changing out of his shooting-tacket-and ends with Gally fixing things to every-body's—well, almost everyhody's—well, almo hody's—satisfaction.

John Nicholson



reluctantly accepting that even

EDNA O'ERLEN: The Country Girls: Girl with Green Eyes: Mrs Reinbardt and other stories (Penguin, 95p cach.)

The Country Girls was the first novel Edna O'Brien wrote and it is now 20 years since the day it appeared. It has been reprinted again and again, rightly so, since the articssness of her style and the awkward charm of her heroines are not the kind of things that are diminished by fashion or time. Both The Country Girls and its sequel, Girl with Green Eyes are about the eternally interesting subject of growing up, what is more growing up poor, alone, in Ireland, and in the Fifties, a time well suited to Edna O'Brien's recurring theme that the world we live in is a world run by men for

Caithleen and Baba are two childhood friends in a small lrish village, but while hefty. gauche Caithleen has a father who drinks and a mother she loves and who is drowned, delicate Baba is spoilt, tyran-nical and the daughter of the well respected local vet. Out this unequalness comes a friendship of sorts, that grows other stories, most of them remore even as the girls leave printed from the New Yorker, the safety of their village for and bearing the mark of that

the horrors of convent life, and later the chancy encounters of a bed sitter and big time life in Dublin. It is not simply that these two books give a picture of adolescent love that avoids sentimentality and clicke by their freshness and fluency: at their best, they have it all, the anguish and the comedy, even the dry despair of a Jean Rhys afternoon in the bleakness of a London hotel room.

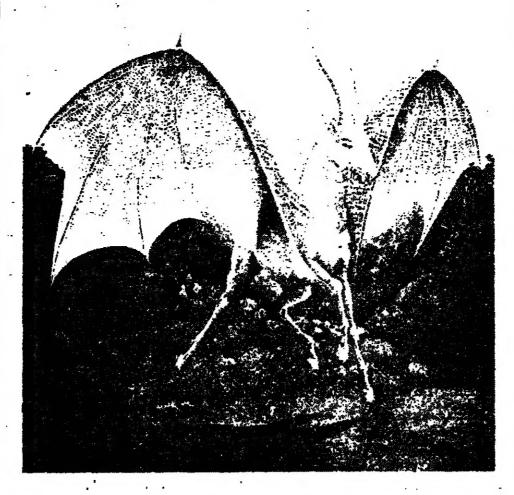
It is often said of Edna O'Brien that her heroine never changes. Caithleen does indeed grow up; she becomes, in successive novels and under other names, more sophisti-cated, more brittle, more sentimental. But she is always the same woman, and like Caithleen, she believes that the only thing that really counts for a woman in the world is love, and that no man can either quite understand what it is all about, nor do much else than wreak emotional havoc. Indeed her male characters are rarely anything but drunken, cowardly or dictatorial. There is a pre-monition of this in The Country Girls: the film maker with the foreign voice who seduces Caitbleen is, for all his niceness, a betrayer. He is too insensitive, too careless of her

Reissued now with her first Edna O'Brien's recent short stories, Mrs Reinhardt and

magazine's discipline. Whether O'Brien has become more economical in her writing, there is in these stories something of a return to the early ability in the way her women, now older, view their own failure in the field where it mattered: love. The slightly earthy humour of The Country Girls is sadly not there, but neither is the insistence on lyricism and occasional cuteness that plagued some of the fiction that has come in between. It is no longer funny, to laugh aloud; but the writing

flows, with authority.
It is, these stories seem to say, a hard world for women. just as hard as Baba and Caithleen thought it would be; harder, perhaps. Marriages are never what they might have been; happiness and fulfilment, that might have flowed, have not; and the comedy that went with youth has become, quite simply, too expensive. At best, all a woman can hope for is a tentative belief in the chances of her own survival. As Ellen Mullaly, a woman disappointed both in her boorish husband and fickle lover puts it at the end of A Woman by the seaside: "She felt a strange peace as if she had found a new resource in herself and she prayed to God that it was not a passing thing and that on the

Caroline Moorehead



Pegasus taking off from "Inventorum Natura", the remarkable expedition journal of Pliny the Elder alleged to have been discovered in Somerset. Equo similis erat, sed pinnis vespertilionis, cornibus cervi. Drawn by Una Woodruff, published by Paper Tiger. The natives hereabouts call these animals the Pegasi. Little is known of their habits, as they inhabit inaccessible heights of the mountains and are rarely seen.

#### Young man's dream

Paris Peasant, by Louis Aragon. Translated with an introduction by Simon Watson Taylor (Picador, £1.50)

Here, surrealism resumes all its rights," wrote the 26-year-old poet Louis Aragon sitting down at one of the ancient wicker-work chairs of the ex-Dadaist Café Certa (tarif: un cocktail Oscar, 3 frs; un Kiss Me Quick, 3.50 frs; un Dada Spécial, 4 frs): "they give you a gloss inkwell with a champagne cork for a stopper, and you are away! Images, images everywhere". And here, if anywhere, Aragon seems to have composed most of Le Pausan de Paris in 1924-5, which is credited as the first surrealist novel, a prose extravaganza inspired his wide-eyed wanderings through the forgotten quarters of the post-war city in a long tradition of earlier literary flaneurs—from Nerval of the October Nights, Baudelaire of Paris Spicen, and the then freshly disinterred Comte do Lautrèamont.

In fact the two main parts of the text are based on fairly solid journalistic formulas; the logy of the modern" is first is a bit of detailed report revealed. So Aragon tells us age on the shopkeepers and habitues of a small, glass-covered side street in the Eighth. scheduled for demolition and matique of the other surrealists, urban renewal (plus ça change), Aragon's style moves through

hairdressers, cafes, shneblacks. pipe makers, strlp theatres, bookshops, and obliging Maxsage Mine Jehane, a wonderful evocation of la vie entre les plis, or life between the wrinkles. The second is a rather wilder account of an evening promenade with fellow surrealist André Breton through the Buttes-Chaumont, a park in the working class 19th arrondissement, with its artificial lake, and sulphurous gaslamps, and notorious Bridge of Suicides. Both articles were originally serialized in monthly parts in the Revue Europeenne and are still best taken in small fixes), abruptly terminating with an outraged Letter to the Editor, which was of course written by Aragon himself.

Both le passage and le parc are also symbolic places, or mental dream cheatres, with-drawn from the logical, mundane life of the grand boulevards. They are places where "objects become trans-figured" and the "locks guard-ing the secrets of the universe" may suddenly turn, and every-day people and occurrences may open inwards into the miraculous, the irrational, and the poetic, so that the "mytho-logy of the modern" is and occasionally shows us too. Though there is little evidence of the celebrated écriture auto-

the Passage de l'Opéra, with its a dazzling range of manner-soedy lodging houses, pungent isms; at one moment simply isms: at one moment simply transcribing verbatim the weird language of menu cards. fly posters, newspaper clippings, or municipal inscriptions; at the next vividly recounting conversations, anecdotes, or strange encounters (there is a memorable visit to the subterranean Bagnes Publiques, with its chinese-box construction of dark. inter-communicating cubicles, full of ambiguous steamy, possibilities! At its most extreme, he rises to dizzy flights of Heaelian philosophizing or plunges luxuriously into pulpy paragraphs of imaginary womanizing: the latter being characteristically full of blondes butterfly wings, black cycla-mens, kohl, stordust, stockings, and paillettes-a sort of verbal Gustav Klimt.

> Years later, after his sad break with Breton and his con-version to Communism, Louis Aragon gravely described Paris Peasons as the story of his men-Ingical conception of the world to a materialist one?. Don't believe a word of it. It is one more young man's dream of what Paris was going to give him before the age of thirty: Eugène de Rastignac would have recognised it just as easily as young Aragon's exact American contemporary, Jay Gatsby, I think the translator liked it too, though I am still wondering what "headache wondering what nencils" are.

#### Black man's burden

The African Condition (The Reith Lectures) by Ali A. Maz-rui. (Heinemann, 52.95).

After a succinct but penetrating analysis of the problems and frustrations of the peoples ot a continent containing 50 sovereign states, five colonial lingua franca and cultures. three rival religious, 500 verus-culars, two rival ideologies, one major and several minor racial conflicts with a race war in prospect, a congeries of tribal divisions, and all complicated by rechnical and social "backwardness", Professor Ali Mazrui argues that what Africa needs is some atomic bombs. Nigeria has the oil wealth to spend on them; Zaire has the uranium to fuel them; and South Africa has the resources to construct them and delivery systems for them—and the coming revolution will place these resources in black power. Then "Africa" will be in a position to order the nuclear powers to disarm, instead of "planning" to lay waste the world

A few other things, the Pro-fessor told the Reith lecture audiences, were necessary to give Africa the place in the counsels of mankind which is its due. The standard of living of the industrial and extravagant westerners has to be reduced so that Africa's (and the Third World's) will go up. The treatment here is a little complicated. First the West is to be encouraged to be even more extravagant and wasteful of scarce resources so that Africa and other raw material

suppliers can improve their terms of trade under pressure of western demand, just as OPEC, whose success the Pro-fessor hails as the forerunner of tables to be turned on the West in time to come, is squeezing the gas-guzzlers of America and the EEC (And OPEC's aid to Africa is apparently free of the strings or chains which neo-colonial aid entails). British trade union leaders, determined to "maintain our members' stand ard of living" as they say, are recommended to read op. 114-115 of this book.

The Professor shares Kwame Nkrumah's dream of an Africa unified (somehow) and powerful, its humiliations ended and revenged. (It is now apparently respectable scholarship to attribute to con-tinents, states and masses of diverse people the personal feelings of individuals who read history with indignation or suffer slights from hotel-

iers.)
Professor Mazrui takes full advantage of "Africa's" one incontestable advantage: to attribute almost every shortcoming or misfortune to the colonial ordeal of 1880 onwards (plus the slave trade—white, not Arab). This short interlude bulks decisive in African applications as does no other colonial trade. ial experience elsewhere. Why so crippling, so baleful? ial experience elsewhere. Why so crippling, so baleful? Others have survived such experiences, even digested them as acceptable nutrition. Can it be that some of the present discontents of Africa and its intellectuals derive from the 2,000 years of "history" antedating the European slaver and colmistion with his Chings and onialist with his Chinese gun-powder, his Semitic-Graeco-Latin script, Arabic numerals and other exoric devices?

Roy Lewis

#### Heaven in Devon

Small Talk at Wreyland, by Cecil Torr (O.U.P., £1.95)

Some books are quick to signal their quality. On page three of this one, the author records an old lady sitting in her garden in Devon on a summer's after-noon saying to him: "I were just a-wonderin' if Heaven be so very much better'n this; 'cause, aless it were, I don't know as I'd care for the change."

Cecil Torr was for much of his life squire of Wreyland, in the parish of Lustleigh, en the edge of Dartmoor. He made an annual European tour, but an annual European tour, but apart from that kept a clear eye on his own parish, and set down in an amble of anecdote the sayings and doings of members of his family and the other people of the hamlet, and his own observations on life in Devou and the world at large. He published three volumes of Small Talk at Wreyland, in 1918, 1921 and 1923, and here they are for the first time in one large paperback.

The books span perhaps a

century of rural Devon life, and Hunken) caught the moods during which there were many changes. One peragraph recalls the attitude of Wreyland is a wonderful bedside book, people in the '80s, when a man and it's pleasant to know he came over to fetch something was appreciated at Lustleigh, left for him a couple of days. One day he met the beliringers before, and it had been stolen, and asked why they never "People shook their heads and tolled for funerals, now. "But reply ton, though I am still coming to, if you couldn't leave the reply coming to, if you couldn't leave things by the wayside from a like, though. But us'll ring'n stare.

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first sight of an aeroplane over a village where, not too long before, an old man had recalled to him the first sight of a wheeled vehicle of any kind!
And in the week of the aeroplane, men arrived to make a

cowboy film on the moors. "A pair of Stars made love outside the Hall House door", Torr says; "And an old inhabitant who came along was so shamed at their brazenness that he could only gasp out, 'Well. Now, There!'" But Wreyland was always a touch puritanical. A dancer came to perform on the turf one summer's day, "a very preux sight". But some of the spectators thought less about her dancing than her dress. And their verdict was: "Her garments had got no substance to them." As for the
local boys who one hot day
tumbled naked into the stream
—"Well, Mr Torr. if this be
Wreyland, us might live in
savage parts."

Torr is need on any subject.

Torr is good on any subject: his night at the top of Etns, his comments on the models in Italian artists' studios, thoughts on the site of Solfering, are interesting enough. But his records of Wreyland are indispensable, Only "Q" (with the characters in Troy Town or Nicky-Non, Reservist, or Hocken

#### The golden road

"He is a dangerous mixture of sophistication and reckless-ness" said one of his school reports, unhelpfully, adding "which makes one anxious about his influence on other boys". What on earth was one to do wish the lad? Intelligent, lively, perfectly capable of hard work when so inclined, one never knew what he was going

Expelled at 16 from the King's School, Canterbury, and on his way to the Army via a London crammer, he was always the youngest at parties and in London life, still unpredictable (diving into a lake at a party and then remembering his borrowed tails) and then deciding that he would walk to Constan-

Setting out in the winter with setting out in the winter with a rucksack, old Army greatcoat, several jerseys, two white shirts and several flame! oues, a sleeping bag, The Oxford Book of English Verse and Volume 1 of the Lash Horses ha control of the Loeb Horace, he took a boar for Holland and was off on a journey which was to last him, though he did not know is, for four years. He had a few introductions,

but relied on sleeping in cow-sheds, haylofts, barns, and on one memorable occasion in an applestore, practically swooning from the scent. He also slept in A Time of Gifts, by Patrick Leigh Fermor (Penguin, £1.25)

Leigh Fermor (Penguin, £1.25) everything else, apart from what he was wearing, was stolen. The weather was awful, but he was only 18, and everything was wonderful.

The book is a reconstruction. more than forty years later, of this trip, laced with recollec-tions of other times past, the landscape viewed not only with its later literary associations, but also from the youthful Leigh Fermor's knowledge of painting. Holland was instantly friendly and familiar from long acquaintance with the Dutch masters. German painters, entirely new to him, were dis-covered with joy. He took enormous detours to view some local landmark of the arts. He managed all this on practically no money at all—a modest £4 being forwarded to him at monthly intervals at a selected spot. In Vienna the money ran spot. In vienna the money ran our altogether, and in company with the adorable Konrad, a gentle charmer and con man (met in a tramp's hostel) he set about sketching the inhabi-tants for a small sum, and was saved by a cheoue for \$5 from saved by a cheque for £5 from his father, a belated 19th birthday present.

He must bave been a mos engaging young man. All the way from Holland to Hungary he mer kindness, interest, and hospitality, sometimes from the very poor, and on one rather horrifying occasion from a fenetical working class Nazi top to bottom with pictures of Hitler and Nazi emblems, his SS uniform hanging on the wall. There was this darker side to his journey. In 1934 most of his new found friends were liberally minded, but he could see the rise of the Nazis, and their attraction. The portraits of the people he met are the best of a marvellously personal book—there are passages of lyrical appreciation of the shades of purple prose, and the enthusiasm and joie de vivre.

By some strange chance he recovered one of his journals, for the last part of the journey to Hungary, where we leave him poised with the magic words "To be continued." It words "To be continued." It may not have been good preparation for the peacetime British Army, which he never joined, but it certainly seems tailor-made for the young Major who, with others, kidnapper the German General Kreipe commanding Crete in 1944 and snuggled him off the island.

Philippa Toomey

## In the pipeline

The Seven Sisters by Anthony Sampson (Coronet Books/Hodder and Stoughton, £1.50).

Such acclaim greeted the first publication of Anthony Sampson's work on oil multinationals that a chance of a new assessment five years later of an updated paperback edition neces-sarily causes some trepidation. sarry causes some trepidation.
The Times, according to the back cover, believed the book to provide "the highest level of reading for those interested in the politics of oil". Much crude bas flowed through the pipeline since then. The early pipeline since then. The early chapters have stood the test of time well. The slightly racy style, with the descriptions of Arabs, Texans, oil tycoons and diplomats; the contrast of the hard American oil men with the Oxbridge-educated types at Shell, remains compelling reading. Mr Sampson has an exciting story of big business, in-trigue, and international politics to tell, and he tells it well. On that level alone he gives a good read, but the updating by a single, rather short chapter, covering the lead up to the quent plunging of the West into a second energy crisis, is less satisfactory than the full revi-sion which is rather obviously



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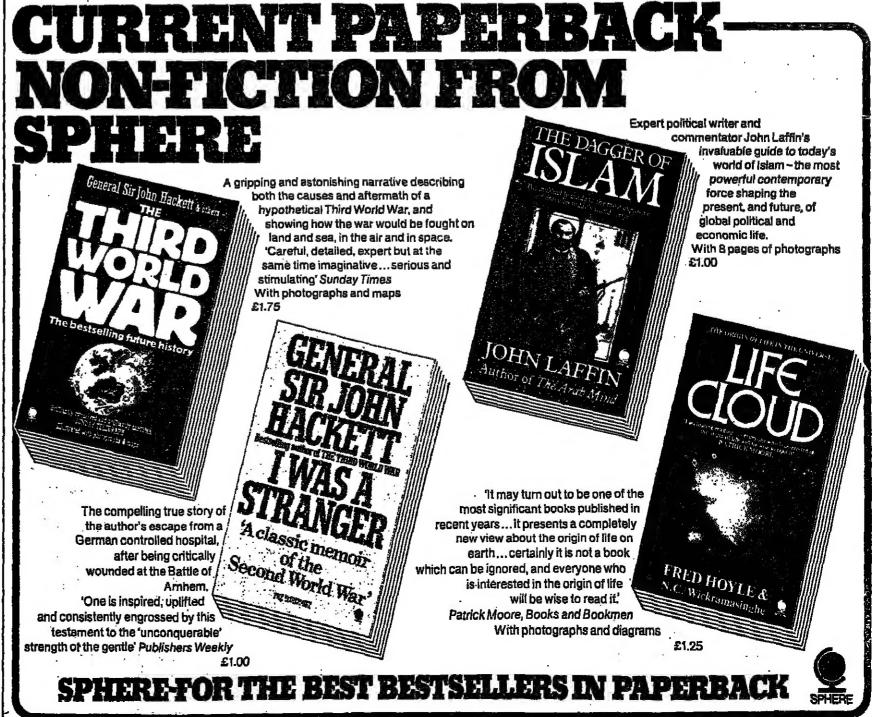
Soft covers on a book tend to give the expectation without the reality of immediacy. By simply tagging on a chapter, Mr Sampson has been unable to relate the events since Iran to the arguments of the earlier chapters. His perception of the ambiguity of the multinationals position, interested at one and the same time in short term trading profits and long term projects, of selling a product which at the same time they

exhort the consumer to conservice, is undimmed, but his concern with the question of control of the multinational looks less and less important. I am fer from sure that

Western governments faced in 1979, as he says "a growing nightmare of uncontrolled corporate power". The multi-nationals' passive support of Opec, which he explains so well, has done them no good at all. The cutbacks in Iran and aggressive buying by a panic stricken Japan have pushed Opec from the multinationals to independents and an increased number of government to government deals, If governments wish to take control of their own supplies, increasingly they have the opportunity to do so. The multimationals are not so much leading the public "still further into hapless de-Jovanovich, at any price to preserve their market share. The power of the multinationals is on the slide. The real change of the 1979 energy crisis has been the lessening of the companies' role as international traders and the emergence of the producing countries as traders in their own right.

But whatever the defects of Mr Sampson's updating The Scuen Sisters as a whole still deserves the accolade given by another reviewer in this paper, five years ago.

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There is no good reason why the action of Ibsen's An Enemy of the People (BEC 2, 9.25) should not have been shifted from a coastal town in Norway to a coastal town in Scotland, or why a coastal town in Norway to a coastal town in Steel 19th century the action should not have been plucked out of the 19th century and dropped into the 20th. Pollution is pollution, small-town corruption is small-town corruption, and polemics are polemics. And I doubt very much if, in the crossing of the North Sea, the play will have suffered the loss of any of its intrinsic qualities. For the record, tonight's production has been adapted by Maggie Allen from Lindsay Galloway's stage version.

Allen from Lindsay Galloway 5 stars.

Of Just like snooker and chess, darts could have been invented especially for television. In the small screen's coverage of these indoor sports, the close-up comes into its own—the tense hand, the gleaming eye, the dampness on the brow, the aborted grin, the gleaming eye, the dampness on the brow, the aborted grin. This is man under pressure, without artifice. the gnawed up. This is man under pressure, without artifice. To the various rounds of Pot Black and the Benson and Hedges Masters snooker tournaments and the Master Grane chess. encounters which are all well under way on BBC TV, we must now add the Embassy World Professional Darts Championship which begins tonight (BBC 2, 10.55) and ends next Saturday night with the grand finale.

OReartland is an off-putting umbrella title for the series of saturday night plays from ATV. I assume it is just another way of saying love stories, a supposition borne out by the synopses of previous episodes, all of which I have missed. Title apart, I keep being assured by intelligent colleagues that the plays are a notch or two or five above average and so I will watch tonight's play, Family, by Alan Hackney, which is about a relentless millionaire (Malcolm Stoddard) who fixes his greedy eyes on the twin targets of a pottery business and the boss's (his brother's) pretty personal assistant (Carol Royle). It must be better than I have made it sound (ITV, 10,00).

•Ken Whitmore's play A Decent British Murder (Radio 4, 8.30) should be fun: colonel (Grabam Roberts) throws a Christmas house party, offers £1,000 to anyone who can break into his house party, offers £1,000 to anyone who can break into his burglar-proof library (complete with guillotine security device) and is subsequently found foully murdered in the aforementioned library . . . Fretful children, bored with their latest, overplayed pop record, should be encouraged to switch on the radio, ignore Radio 1 for once, true in to a service they may never have heard of—Radio 3—and listen to the Robert Mayer Concert coming live from the Royal Festival Hall (11.00 am). If they do not enjoy the Carnival of Animals, you should perhaps consult a child psychiatrist. They might even enjoy the bits of Schubert, Bartok and Janacek. It is worth a try.....

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5.50 Wonder Woman: Party-goers

are being robbed of dieir jewels,

and Wonder Woman (Lynda Carter) has a "double".

6.35 Jim'll Fix It: Mr Savile makes children's dreams come true. Iwo go parascending, one gets his photograph in Radio Times and three girls have a foum bath.

7.10 All Creatures Great and Small: Vers series. Which of the three shall have a night-off? James (Christopher Timothy) must

BBC 1

BBC 2

7.40 am Open University (accident investigation). Close down of 8.65. 9.65 Better Badminton: Playing

9,30 Multi-Coloured Swap Shop : Noel Edmonds's guests are Duck Emery, the comedian, and the naturalist Sir Peter Scott. With songs from the Boomtown Rats. 12.12 pm Weather.

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12.15 Grapdstand. The line-up is:
12.20 Football Focus: 12.05, 1.02
and 1.50 Racing from Wetherby;
1.10 Show Jumping—the Lancia
Championships, from Nurthwood;
1.40 and 4.35 International Athletics: Great Britain v West Germany; 2.10 Cricket: Australia v
England: the third Test, from Meibourne; 2.25 International Rugby
Union: France v England, from
Parls and (at 4.00) Ireland v Scotland, from Dublin; 4.45 Final
score.

3.55 Play Away : I un and songs for

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4.20 Tea with Miss Pym: Portrait of Barbara Pym, the novelist, who died last month. Originally seen in the Book Programme in 1977 (r).
4.45 Horizon: The Mind's Eye. Repeat showing of the documentary which explains the secrets of vision.

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8.40 am Sesame Street: Lessons in life, for children (r).

9.40 The Beachcombers: Jesse (Pat Johns) learns that money cannot aiways buy fun.

10.05 Superman: Mild-mannered book-keeper gets involved in a bank robbery.

10.39 Tiswas: Frenetic children's programme. With Chris Tarrant, Sally James.

12.30 pm World of Sport. The line-up is: 12.35 On the Ball (football round-up): 1.06 Cyclo Cross World Championships, from Switzerland; 1.15 News: 1.30, 2.00, 2.30 and 3.00 Racing from Sandown; 1.45, 2.15, 2.45 Racing from Spatford; 3.10 Monte Carlo Rally and Clift Diving (from

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FILMS ON TV

London Weekend

8.00 The Dick Emery Show: Sketches include a holiday on the Broads, Richard Todd is the guest 8,35 Dallas: J. R. tries to stop Jock selling the Asian oil feases, and

decide.

5.45 Mr Smith's Indoor Garden: Geotfrey Smith on how to grow plants from pips, steds and tops (r). 6.10 Open Door: The work of the Newcastle Trades Council Centre for the Unemployed. 6.40 Cricket: Australia v England.

Highlights from the third Test. From hielbourne. 7.10 News and sport, 7.10 News and sport,
7.25 Top Table: Eight leading table tenuls players compete for the Norwich Union Trophy. They include former European champion Milan Oriowski and the present champion Gabor Gergely, 8.00 Film: Bottlets or Ballots (1936), "Edward G. Robinson is the detective who, to break up a crime syndicate, pretends he has quit the force. Humphrey Bogart plays a mubsler. Also starring joan Blundell and Barton Maclane.

8.15 The Faith Brown Chat Show: The impressionist's victims to-night are Mrs Thatcher, Pam Ayres, Barbara Cartland and Angela Rippon,

9.20 Animated Conversations: Animated film about hangovers (r).

9.25 An Enemy of the People: Updated and geographically translated (to Scotland) version of the Ibsen play. With Robert Urquhart as the chemist who uncovers local government corruption (see Personal Choice).

18.50 News and weather.

10.53 International Darts: The Embasy World Professional Championship. First day of the eight-day tournament. Tonight's players include the British open champion. Chiff Lazarenko. From Stoke-on-Trent.

11.45 Film: A Kias Before Dying (1936). Thriller about a college boy (Robert Wagner) who commits a number of murders so that he can marry money. Also starring Jeffrey Hunter, Joanna Woodward and Virginia Leith. Recommended. Acapulco): 3.50 Half-time 8.45 Enemy at the Door: Dramas scores; 4.00 Wrestling Hrom Reading); 4.50 Results service. 5.95 News. 5.15 Oh Boy! Rock 'n' roll show. 6.15 Ch Boy! Rock 'n' roll show. 6.16 Realth hazard puts Dr Martel (Bernard Horsfall) on the spot. Reading); 4.50 Results service.
5.05 News.
5.15 Oh Boy! Ruck 'n' rull show.
Entertuners include Tony Cearge,
Billy Hartman, Richard Piper and
Ruck Island Line.
5.45 Happy Days: Mork Returns.
Re-enter the funny visitor from
the planet Ork.
6.15 Film: How to Steal a Diamond (1972) Comedy thriller with
Robert Redford and George Segal
as two Jewel thieves who rob a
nuseum. Great fun. Also starring
Zero Mostel.
8.15 The Faith Brown Chat Show:

9.45 News and sport Hackitey). Drama about a mil-lionaire (Malculm Stoddard) who has an eve on a (amily business and on his brother's personal assistant (Carol Royle) See Personal Choice. 21.00 Saturday Night People : The Russell Harty/Clive James/ Janet Street-Porter show.

11.45 Pro-Celebrity Snooker: Group Two of the Canadian Club Trophy. From Leeds. 12.30 am Close: Poetry readings by Yehudi and Diana Menuhin.

by David Robinson

The excess upholstery of MGM films of the fifties weighs down both Beau Brummell (today, BBC 2, 2.15), based on an antiquated Clyde Fitch play, and The Sicilian Clan (tomorrow, and tomorrow, BBC 2, 2.40), a Ruritanian romance adapted from Ferenc Moinar and directed by another Hungarian, Charles Vidor. No doubt the knowledge of Grace Kelly's impending marriage to Prince Rainier inspired the studio to choose this royal romance as a suitable vehicle for her. Gangsters are to the fore this is the 1935 Bullets or Ballots (tonight, BBC 2, 8.05) with Edward G. Robinson for once on the side of the law, and Humphrey Bogart as a real meanie. As well as the

#### RADIO

6.25 am Shipping forecast.

6.50 Yours Faithfully, 7.00 News. 7.16 On Your Farm. 7.40 Today's Papers. 7.45 Yours Faithfully. 7.56 R's A Bargain. ,10 Sport on 4. .45 Today's Papers.

O Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Breakaway. 9.50 News Smad. 10.05 The Week in Westminster. 10.30 Daily Service. 11.35 International Assignment.

Radio 4

6.30 News. 6.32 Farming Today.

12.00 News. 12.02 pm Money Box. 12.27 The News Quiz.† 12.55 Weather.

1.00 News.
1.10 Any Questions?
2.00 News.
2.05 Wildlife.
2.30 Play: Selah, by Dawn Loue-BOC 1 VARIATIONS: Water 2.25 pm lught 1 mm leglent 5 tooland, and at 1 to 1 parter a Labeland chiptilghies 5.45 Sports News, 12.25 pm News and neither. Sculland: 2.25 pm 15 Water, 4.55 is deebsard 5.45 Scutchuard, 9.35 Sport seets 12.25 am News and neither. Northern Iroland: 2.25 pm 125 Water 5.03 Scorebard 5.45 News 12.25 am News, and topility England: 12.35 am News, and topility England: watson. 7
3.30 Does He Take Sugar ?
4.00 News.
4.02 God in My Language (4). 4.30 Time For Verse. 4.40 Submarine (2).† 5.25 Week Ending.†

5.35 Weather. 6.00 News. 6.15 Desert Island Discs. 6.55 Stop the Week. 7.35 Baker's Dozen. 6.30 Play: A Decem British Mur-der, by Ken Whitmore.; 10.00 News. 10.15 Encore: review.

11.00 Lighten Our Darkness. 11.15 Philip Jones Brass 11.15 Panip Jones Brass Ensemble.† 11.45 Ghost story: The Saint and the Vicar. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

7.55 am Regional news, weather, 7.55 Regional news, weather, 10.30-11.20 Inside Parliament.

Radio 3 6.00 am (m) only from 6.20) Cricket: Australia v England. 7,95 Records: Elgar, Dring, Holst, Alfven.†

7.55 Weather, 8.00 News. 8.05 ECO Kraemer: Mozart, Telemann.† 9.00 News. 9.05 Record Review. 1
10.15 Stereo Release: Handel Radio 1 Jephtha excerpts). 11.00 Melos ENS/Seaman, etc clive

from Festival Hall): Schubert, Bar-tok, Janacek, Saint-Saëns.† 12.15 pm Bandstand.+ 1.05 Songs (Hemsley): Schumann. Strauss.+

2.00 Play It Again: outstanding music of the past week.+ 5.45 Critics' Forum. 6.35 Classical Guitar (Brouwer).+ Autobiographical Nahokov

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8.00 BBCSD/Rozhdestvensky (live from Curn Exchange, Bedford), pt
1: Sibelius, Rachmaninov (Pno Conc 4—Postnikova).; 8.45 Poetry: Wordsworth. 9.05 BBCSD, pt 2: Dvorak (Sym 6).†
10.00 Clarinet. plano: Schmitt,
Stoker, Hindemith, Sigurbjörns-

508.†
10.40 Choir, organ: Morales, Byrd
(Mass Proper a 5).†
11.55 News.
12.00-2.05 am Cricket : Australia v THE

6.20-7.05 am Open University: Gossamer Condor; Introduction to Blology; Music interlude.

Radio 2 5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Tom Edwards,† 8.07 David Jacobs.† 10.02 Pete Murray,† 1.02 pm Stop the World, 1.30-6.00 Sport on 2: Rugby; League football; Racing

rSandown); Test Cricket, Sports Report, 5.03 Europe '80, 7.02 Beat the Record, 7.30 Big Band Special.† 8.02 Saturday Night is Gala Night, † 9.00 New Swingle Singers.† 9.30 Geraldo Orchestra.† 10.02 Rolf's Walkabout.† 10.30 The Cheeky Chappie, 11.02 Sport, Desk, 11.10 Bob Kilbey.† 2.02 am-6.00 You and the Night and the Music.†

5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 News.
7.03 Playground. 8.00 Tody Blackburn. 10.00 Peter Powell 1.00 pm
Adrian Juste.† 2.00 Paul Cambacim.; 4.00 Rock on Saturday; 7.20
Steve Wright. 10.00 Al Matthews.
12.00-6.00 am As Radio 2

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Westward As London except. Starts 9.20 am \_-and and see. 6.25 Sessine Street. 10.25 Gu Honeybur's Burbladys, 5.14 Pm News Sport, 5.18 Oh Boy 5.45 Mort an Mindy, 6.15 Carteen, 6.25 Fine; Aboy Us has believe a \_\_don Mills, John Mills, Mills, Mills, John Mills, Mills,

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As London except, Shirts 9.35 am Plat Gallar, 10.05 Kum Kum 5.45 per Vork and Mindy 6.18 Film Wall, Don't Him Casy, Crant, Samantha Eggir, Jim Hulton: 12.30 am At the End of the Day,

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#### PERSONAL CHOICE



Pilgrims backing in the waters of the Ganges: Spirit of Asia (BBC 2, 7.45):

Oin the more familiar of her two manifestations on BBC Television tonight, that of Little Nell, the actress Natalic Oglie joins the angels, while in the other, as Lydia Bennet, she runs away with a man who is a bit of a devil. It is in the final away with a man who is a bit of a devil. It is in the final instalment of The Old Curiosity Shop (BBC 1, 5.25) that Little Nell succembs, and it is the fourth instalment of Pride and Prediodice (BBC 2, 10.00) that Miss Bennet elopes with Mr Wickham.

OFour separate visits—on one and the same day—to the wildfowl trust at Slimbridge, on the Severn estuary in Gloucestershire, may sound like too much of a good thing. But the BBC's natural history unit in Bristol has put up an unassailable case for its quartet of live transmissions (BBC 1, at 8.55 am, 2.00, 3.00 and 11.55. The idea is that we shall be able to watch the daily 11.15). The idea is that we shall be able to watch the daily routine, from dawn to dusk, of the Bewick's swans and white from dawn to dusk of the Bewick's swans and white fromted geese who winter at Slimbridge after flying in

Some random, interim, thoughts on Spoils of War (ITV, 7.45) and Fig in the Middle (ITV, 8.45), both of which are now into and Fig in the Middle (ITV, 8.45), both of which are now into their second week. Spoils suffers from the same faults as John Finch's other serial (on BBC TV), Flesh and Blood. Put any two characters together and they immediately start making two characters together and they immediately start making two characters together and they immediately start making start making the characters together and they immediately start making the characters together and they immediately start making they are some promising, with Dinsdale Landen bank one pige looks more promising, with Dinsdale Landen behaving idiotically, but not idiotically enough, one hopes, to have a read official with the free wheeling terrotress part door have a real affaire with the freewheeling temptress next door (Lizz Goddard). Crisp, eccentric writing by Terence Brady and Charlette Bingham.

An especially good day, this, for male British opera singers.

Peter Glossop, the baritone, sings the title role in Verdi's

Macheth, in Italian, on Radio 3 at 2.15. Air Glossop reverts to

English on BBC Television later tonight (BBC 2, 9.30) talking

English on BBC Television later tonight (BBC 2, 9.30) talking about his life in opera to Tim Ewart. Thanks to a very strange piece of programme planning, the attraction that precedes the Glossop interview is another in the Stuart Burrows Sings series (8.55), which must be doing the Welsh tenor's professional states a nowar of good status a power of good.

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# Sunday's programmes

TELEVISION

ference.

12.55 Farming: the regular feature.
1.20 It's a Great Lifte: Live and Learn
1.40 Write Away: Barry Took
helps had spellers.
1.55 News.
2.00 Birdwatch: Back to Stimbridge. With Rolf Harris, Sir Peter Scott, Tony Soper.
2.10 The High Chaparral: The old Western series—disinterred.
3.00 Birdwatch: Back to Stimbridge. Final visit at 11.15.
3.30 The Great American Theme Park: Michael Rodd takes two spectacular fairground rides in America (r).
4.10 Show Dogs: How dogs are prepared for Crufts, now only a week away.
4.35 Mickey Mouse Club: The cartoous Magician Mickey and The Ugly Dachshund.
4.55 Young Scientists of the Year 1980: The last heat in this contest.

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6.40 Songs of Praise: From the parish cburch, Mayfield, Sussex.
7.15 Film: The Sicilian Clan (1969). Thriller about a jewelry raid. Jean Gabhin and Alain Delog are the crooks, Lino Ventura is the pursuing detective.
9.10 Spy! The Tokyo Ring. How a silly mistake and a treacherous woman led to the downfall of Richard Sorge, the German journalist who was a brilliant spy in Japan, for the Russians. Richard Johnson plays Sorge.
19.00 News: with Kenneth Kenneth Kenneth Kenneth Senow: Everyman report by Peter France) on the Action in Distress charity.
10.45 Finde Parks.
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8.55 Birdwatch: The daily routine of swans, geese, ducks and waders at Slimbridge Wildfowl Trust. First of four live transmissions today (see Personal Choice).
9.00 Ragtime: Puppet story.
9.15 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan: for

Part 2 (r).
10.05 The Skill of Lip-Reading: 58 Jubilee Road (r). 10.15 Let's Go: Brian Rix's programme for the mentally handi-rapped. Cooking a Meal (r). 10.30 The Handicapped Family: Helping the elderly disabled. 10.55 Russian-Language and People: Repeat of part 3.

11 20 Avventura: Italian for beginners, Part 17 (r). 11.45 Multi-Racial Britain: I Can't Talk to My Parents (r).

12.10 pm A Church to Yourselt:
R. T. Brooks explores St Andrew's

meaning and nature of sin. Interview with the Rev Kenneth Greet, secretary of the Methodist Con-

10.25 am Open University. Distance Teaching conference; 11.15 First Years of Life; 11.40 Energy in the Home; 12.05 pm Second level maths. Closedown at 12.30. maths. Closedown at 12.30.

2.30 Film: The Swan (1955). Stodgy romance, with Grace Kelly as a princess. Alec Guinness as the prince she doesn't want as her husband and Louis Jordan as the doctor she does.

4.25 Rugby Special: Highlights from the France v England game and the Ireland v Scotland clash.

5.40 Cricket: Australia v England. Third day's play in the third Test from Melbourne.

6.10 News Review: With visual

from Melbourne. 6.10 News Review: With visual commentary for the hard of hear-

London Weekend 9.05 am A Better Read: The theme of Bill Grundy's books pro-

Machar's Cathedrai, Aberdeen.

black criminals in south London.

ntique.

everyday context.

6.40 The Money Programme: The theme: declining productivity in the industrialized world. The panel: Dr Henry Kissinger, Edward Heath and leading European businessmen and trade unionists.

ing. Peter Woods is the presenter.

week away.

4.35 Mickey Mouse Club: The cartoons Magician Mickey and The Ugly Dachshund.

4.55 Young Scientists of the Year 1980: The last heat in this contest.

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5.25 The Old Curtosity Shop: Final episode. Exit Little Nell and Quilp (see Personal Choice).

5.55 News: with Kenneth Kendall.

6.05 Holiday: The joys of Tuscany.

7.15 Call My Binff: Thaing part tonight are Arthur Marshall, Pene-lope Keith, Donald Sinden, Frank Murr, Ciaran Madden, and Colin Marshall

7.45 Spirit of Asia: The Story of Rama. Fourth film in the David Attenborough series. The 2,000-year-old story of heroism and villainy that is staged in the world's biggest theatre—a maharajah's fortress home in Benares.

and what he does for a family in need. Directed and written by Lionel Jeffnes. 5.30 Worzel Gummidge: The scarecrow is hired as a butler.



6.00 Credo: The pressure groups opposed to the Abortion (Amendment) Bill. 6.30 News. 6.40 Your 100 Best Hymns: The

sten).

Regions

8.45 News and weather.

8.55 Stuart Burrows Sings: Fourth programme in the series starring the renowned Welsh tenor. His guest is Kirl Te Kanawa, the New Zealand-born soprano.

9.30 In Conversation with Peter Glossop: The operatic baritone is interviewed by Tim Ewart.

10.00 Pride and Prejudice: Episode 4 of Fay Weldon's five-part seriali-

zation. A letter from Jane reveals that Mr Wickham and Lydia Bennet have run away together (see Personal Choice).

10.55 International Darts: More games in the Embassy World Professional Darts Championship, from Stoke-on-Trent. Closedown at approximately 11.50.

hymns that viewers like best. 7.15 Family Fortunes : Bob Monkhouse comperes a fast-moving quiz 7.45 Spoils of War: Part 2 of the John Finch family saga set in the 1940s. More about Captain Hayward (Alan Hunter) and the German war-widow (Katja Ker-

series about a fussing wife (Joanna Van Gysehghem), the eccentric husband (Dinsdale Landen) and the sexy neighbour (Liza God-dard) (see Personal Choice). 9.15 Hart to Hart: American thriller, with Robert Wagner and Stephanie Powers as husband and wite. 10.15 News.

8.45 Pig in the Middle : Comedy

10.30 Cleo: The singer's guests include Stephane Grappelli, John Williams and Charlie Watts. 11.30 Police Surgeon: The Killer. Medical drama about a death in the wrestling ring. 12.00 Close: Yehudi Menuhin reads his wife Diana an extract

Kadio 4 (4); World Powers in the Twenneth Century (16). 6.25 am Shipping forecast. 6.30 Morning Has Broken. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samajhiye.

8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Week's Good Cause. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers.

9.15 Letter From America. 9.30 Morning Service. 10.15 The Archers. 11.15 Weekend Woman's Hour. ian.† 12.30 pm The Food Programme,

12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend. 1.40 Feedback. 2.90 News. 2.05 Gardeners' Question Time. 2.30 Play: After Moscow.

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BBC 1 VARIATIONS: Wates: 12.55 pm
Familing in Wates. 2.00 The Superstars.
2.55 Sports, Line-up. 4.25 Tom and
Jerry. 4.69 Y Cell Aur. 6.40 Dechrau
Canu, Dechrau Cannol. 12.50 News
and weather. Scotland: 12.55 em Landward. 1.20 Can Scot. 8.40 Scotlas
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weather. Northern Indiand: 11.30 pm
News and Weather. England: 11.35 pm
Cluste: 7.00 Bookshelf. 7.30 Origins. 8.00 Music to Remember: Grieg, Weber, Tippett.†
9.00 News.
9.08 Sons and Lovers (3).† 10.00 News. 10.15 Red Alert in Pakistan:

report. 11.00 Before the Ending of the 11.15 The Magic of Music.† 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

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7.30 am-7.50 Open University:
Briefing and Training for Part-time
Staff (1).
9.30-10.15 Open University: Con-

Sumer Decisions—The County
Court; The Pre-school Child—
When Everything Gets You Down;
Music Interlude.
2.00 pm-6.00 Study on 4: Kein
Problem(14); Sur le vif (14); Po
aqui (14); Skills for Survival (4);

Radio 3 6.00 am (mw only from 6.20) Cricket: Australia v England.

RADIO

Cricket: Australia v England.
7.05 Records: Debussy, Kabalevsky, List.†
7.55 Weather.
8.00 News.
8.05 Records: Mendelssohn (op 49
and 80).†
9.00 News.

9.00 News.
9.05 Records: Telemann, BlumenFeld, Schmidt (Sym 4).†
10.30 Music Weekly.†
11.20 NBCSO/Cantelli: Rossini, Radio 1 Tchaikovsky (Sym 4).

12.15 pm Piano: Debussy, Mathias, 6.00 am As Radio 2. 8.00 Tony

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5.00 Quartets (Gabrieli), pt 1: Beethoven (op 59 no 2).†

5.40 Interview: Simpson. 6.00 Quartets, pt 2: Simpson (no 5—1st perf).† 6.50 BBC Singers, pt 1: Vaughan Williams, Tippett, Britten.† 7.26 Interval reading. 7.30 BBC Singers, pt 2: Bantock (Atalanta in Calydon).† 8.15 Play: Mrs Argent, by Tom Mallin.†
9.00 BBC Scottish SO, Ricken-bacher, pt 1: Brahms (Pro Couc 1—Bishop-Kovacevich).†
9.50 Talk: The Rise and Fall of the Publisher. 10.10 BBCSSO, pt 2: Mahler (5ym

11.35 Records: Tallis.† 11.55-12.00 News. 11.55-12.00 News. VHF 6.20-7.05 am Open University: Cognitive Psychology; The Roots of Western Society; Music inter-lude.

11.05 Samuel Butler in New Zea-

(2); The Bad Life Radio 2

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6.00 am News, weather, 6.03 Sam on Sunday, † 7.30 Nick Page. † 8.04 David Jacobs. † 10.02 Pete Murray, † 1.27 pm The Choice is Yours. 1.32 Roy Castle. † 2.02 Alan Dell. † 3.02 Peter Clayton. † 4.02 Country Style. † 4.30 Sing Something Simple, 5.02 Waggoners' Walk. 6.02 Charlie Chester, 7.02 Trable Chaoce, 7.30 Two's Best, 8.30 Sunday Half Hour. 9.02 Your 100 Best Tunes. 10.02 Rolf's Walksbout. 10.30 Top of the Bill. 11.05 Bob Kilbey, 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the Music. †

12.15 pm Piano: Debussy, Mathias,
Liszt.†
1.10 Violin, piano (Kovacic,
Schiff): Bartok (Son unacc),
Mozart.†
2.15 Opera: Macbeth (1847 edn),
by Verdi (Hunter; Glossop; BBC
Concert Orch/Matheson), Acts II
and II.†
3.35 One Pair of Ears; review,
3.50 Macbeth, Acts III and IV.†
5.00 Quartets (Gabrieli), pt 2:

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Programme includes

MOZART Violin Concerto No. 4, K. 218 MAYUMI FUJIKAWA violin **HOLST Suite, The Planets** See RFH panel (or details

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12 Feb. 7.30 p.m.	MUSIC NORTH Irene Sandford, 50p. Jack Smith, bar. Ezrry Dooglas, pao. Havelock Nelson, pao.	A Sense of Indand—3. Works by Schubert. Wolf. Beethevan, Walton, Litzi, Ferguson, Harty, Naghes, Parke, Wood, 22:50, 22: £1.50. £1. Art Lingus/London Tark Hotel.
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Radio

# Beyond the bullseye

Radio Times", said the Radio 4 announcer just before last Thursday's 8.00 am News, "is the one with the dart board on it . . " Dear God, has it come to chis? So soon? Is even Radio 4 now working on the assumption that there exists the substantial body of listeners there was another of the same. a substantial body of listeners there was another of the same, who have difficulty deciphering both as to type and quality. In two common five-letter words? The Village Song Man Sam Mercifully the rest of my Richards had written and Brim week's listening has done Miller produced a portrait of pothing to support this so it. Robert Hard, the 19th century can for the time being still be Devon stonebreaker and singer regarded as prophetic rather whose times and verses were than descriptive of the here and now. Indeed the last eight to listening since I came back into

Into this period I think I can just about squeeze a contribu-tion by Sir Ralph Richardson just about squeeze a contribution by Sir Ralph Richardson
who ended his readings from
George Saintsbury's Notes on a
Cellur Book yesterday a week
ago. Produced by Piers Plowright, this was the fourth in a
series which began on January
13, each part presenting some
aspects of Professor Saintsbury's long and devoted friendship not just with wine, but
with whisky, brandy, beer as
well. The modern listener,
sourly gazing at a bottle of indifferent Italian from his cutprice liquor store for which he
very likely paid the better part
of two pounds, had to keep
from bowling as he heard of
Corton at 68 shillings the
dozen. . . Of course we are
telking of late Victorian values,
but even so! Having resigned
himself to that, however, he
could settle down on four
separate occasions to some fifteen captivating minutes of unhurtiant reflective moses. teen captivating minutes of un-hurried reflective prose, suf-fused with the writer's affection for and understanding of his subject and read by Sir Ralph in that spirit, but also with a little touch of melancholy befitting a man whose bealth no longer allowed him to take the pleasure in it that he did.

This was on Radio 3, and the last reading, which happened to take place on Burns Night, was soon followed by a celebration of the occasion: Hugh Douglas's Eden Scenes from Crystal Jed. The title is a line from Burns and refers to the from Burns and refers to the Scottish Border Country which the poet toured in the summer of 1787. Mr Douglas followed the same route in the summer of 1979, linking and comparing what he saw with Burns's own journey by talking to people who could bosst some connexion with it: the present chatelaine of Abbotsford, for instance, and the Minister now occupying the the Minister now occupying the pulpit from which the Reverend Dr Bowmaker once vociferated. Interwoven with this material

taken down and then hurriedly now. Indeed the last eight to bowdlerized by that energetic ten days have given good collector, the Reverend Sabine grounds for a quite opposite. Bering-Gould, Here in a delight-conclusion by providing some ful dramatized sequence we of the best and most literate heard The Mole-Caucher as it. first came to the ears of Baring-Gould and a genteel local com-pany assembled for the occa-sion. The silence which followed this rendering, punctuated as ic was by mustered exclamations of incredulity and sharm, ranks as one of the best managed scenes of crippling emberrass-ment I have ever had the pleas-ure of hearing. To follow it with Baring-Gould's own mick and-water version and his comment that Hard's performance led to "a rapid dissolution of the company" all went to perfect the moment. Again, like Eden the moment. Again, like Eden Scenes, this programme was composed of many elements: narrative, song, drama, effect, interview—the lest with ancients of Hard's own village of South Brent who still recall the singer's times. Again it was not abrolived. singer's times. Again it was not absolutely immaculate—that rather foggy ending for example—but as a whole this was a superlative feature, well written, well performed, well put together, and the more welcome and impressive for being the second of its kind in a maxthe second of its kind in a mai-

the second of its kind in a mai-ter of three days.

Devotees of this quality of radio may like to be reminded that next. Thursday (Radia 3) brings a reneat of Jack Emery's The Putney Debates, Piers Plow-rient's production of that com-pelling reconstruction of a dis-cussion held in Putney Church cussion held in Putney Church in the autumn of 1647 emorg the General Council of Cromwell's New Model Army. The appearance within such a short time of this and the other pro-grammes mentioned here mak's grammes mentioned here wak's a final more general point; these are the very best of which radio is capeble, its peak, As with mountains, more people potter ground on the lowar slopes of radio than go with it to the top. In times of stringency, as now, there is the danger that the top (because less prople "use" it) will be lopped off. A mountain with no top ceases to be a mountain. It becomes a plateau or at best a hill.

at trick 2 with the \$\times \cap ?" From his angle, there is scarcely any possible chance of finding East

with an ace or a void; South was marked with the OA since

he bid to six spades with-out employing Blackwood. out employing Blackwood. Declarer's bid of three hearts

must be assumed to indicate a genuine suit and West can only

rely upon fluding him with a

second club. If dummy can be forced to ruff there will be no entry for a discord on the

long heart when South's hearts are four top cards. It is not an

entirely remote possibility that South's suit consists of PAQ109 which will block dummy when West covers the V10 with the

regarded as very unusual had not a similar line been adopted by two of the "Azes" in a championship last year when a defender saw the chance of pro-

moring a trick in his partner's hand. In the deal above he was

leaving the declarer with a blocked suit; in the deal below

he established a trick by pre

senting declare with a ruff discard. The confidence in each

other and the courage shown by East West in passing the

Redouble are more remarkable than their play, which you might expect to find in any club where high stakes are a feature. But American agencies give wide publicity to minor masterstrokes, because professional supportant apparent man

sional supporters expect to be rewarded more highly than the players whom they finance.

Game all: dealer East,

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∇J. This defeace might

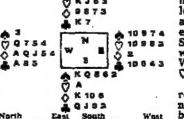
David Wade

Bridge

# Unusual defences In West's position, the open-ing lead of a small club looks unattractive after East's original

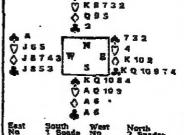
betrayed, or even suggested, where his weakness lies, he can often be defeated if the defenoften be defeated if the defender with the opening lead is no open a diamond or a heart.
imaginative. The killing card But the question (which
may be the result of a guess
where dummy's responses suggest a hand with more tricks
from distributive responses for the distributive responses for the distributive responses. gest a hand with more tricks from distributive values than from controls; but the defender first decides whether he is going to be active or passive. He must not allow a conventional sequence of bidding to prevent him from obtaining a helpful picture of the bidden hands, and the occasions for aggression are frequent on both sides of the table.

Gamie ali; dealer North.



Both North and South have exaggerated their values, and if South believed that a forcing response was most descriptive of his hand North had no reason to disturb Three No Trumps.
West concluded from the sequence that South's Two Spades must have support for diamonds, so he opened the QA on the chance that he could give his particular to the chance that he OA on the chance that he could give his parmer a ruff. Of course he expected to find the ◇K in dummy but he pursued the defence by next playing the ○4. East duly returned a club after ruffing, and was given a second ruff. The hands were dealt some years ago in the European championship, and it may surprise some readthe European championship, and it may surprise some readers to learn that the most popular contract was Four Spades, the most popular opening bid was One No Trump by North, and the most popular opening lead by West was the CA which made a present of the contract.

Sometimes, but exceptionally, sometimes, but exceptionally, it is possible to recover a defensive trick after having made a disastrous opening lead. The following deal gave a rare example of passive defence which should have been foreseen by the defender who was appropriate the first left. engaged in the final of an important American tourns-North South game; dealer



West led the OK, and not the AA which was a possible opening. After overtaking and cashing a second diamond, East worked out that his partner would not lose his club trick if he played a third diamond. Ir was essential that West should score a trump trick if the contract were to be broken, and no other defence could succeed if West's spades were not better than K92. South was compelled to ruff with the \$10, West ducked and later came to his trump trick and the AA.

Edward Mayer

The New York City Ballet choreographers, is a institution rather more than 30 or less than 50 years old, according to which way you like to compute its history. A stripling, nevertheless, and a stripling moreover still in the proud hands of its founding fathers, George Balanchine and Lincoln Kirstein. Both are in their mid-seventies (Balanchine has just passed his 76th Line) has just passed his 76th birth-day and Kirstein is some three years younger) and it seems reasonable to presume that they will both retire within the next

20 vears.

What will happen to New York City Ballet, a company whose essential traditions have whose essential traditions have rested solely in creativity and the nurturing of a classic style?

Who will be the successor to George Balanchine? Always, presuming that is that there is to be a successor, and the company will not one down by pany will not one day be set adrift on the Hudson River like a burning Viking ship. Most people nowadays, if only because rumours father their own paternities, would guess some arrangement by which some arrangement by which Peter Martins would be director, in either name or function, while Jerome Robbins, who seems to have little taste for administration, would be the principal choreographer.

The present season has not been a particularly creative been a particularly creative one. The company seems to be absorbing the loss of Mikhail Baryshnikov and the excitement his sudden, if fugitive, presence generated. To company-loyalists Baryshnikov has become almost a non-person, but in his brief tenure with the company he certainly raised quite a few sparks. There have really been no new creations this season, merely a scanty chach of revivels, all pulled together on a recent gala pro-gramme held to benefit the school of American ballet. All three of the company's current

Robbins and the newcomer Martins, were represented. It was a curious programme

that featured 79

admittedly most of them young girls from the school in Robbins's Circus Polka—and seven males. This was a gala performance that to be brutally frank was not very gala, it was brief, there were just two parts, and the second and more solid and the second and more solid part of the evening was a preview of the company's new production of Robbins's very first ballet Foncy Free. This had not previously been danced by any company other than American Ballet Theater, although sizable excepts from the ballet were given by City Ballet last year at a similar gala.

For 36 years Free Fore here

For 36 years Fancy Free has never really ever left Ballet Theatre's repertory—it is one of the company's signature pieces and its traditions have been handed to generation after generation of dancer by word of foot. It was perfectly natural that Robbins, for sentmental reasons if nothing else, should want this, his first ballet, in the repertory of his own company, particularly as it is a masterpiece in the genre of character ballet where City Ballet is somewhat deficient. But nothing yet has quite worked out.

The revival, with its original Oliver Smith setting and Kermit Love costumes, looks band-box new, but the choreography and characterizations are far too hard-edged at the moment, quite lacking the mances of ballet theatre's customary authority in the work tomary authority in the work.
The three sailors, Jean-Pierre
Frohlich, Bart Cook and Peter
Martins (the latter dancing the
original solo Robbins save himself, but also combining this with the romantic pas de deux first danced by the late John Kriza) are oddly lacking in

example they have their little interplay with the young lady with the red hand-bag, the situation takes on an ugly atmosphere, almost as if they are contemplating rape rather wan flirtation.

The first part of this gala consisted of bits and pieces, although whether there were more bits than pieces or pieces than bits could be a matter of dispute. It opened with the American premiere of George Balanchine's Walpurgis-nacht Ballet, originally created for a production of Gounod's Fenst at the Paris opera in 1975. It seems neither Faust nor furious, but rather a bland divertissement dedicated to Balanchine's well-worn concept that ballet is woman. As it clearly has nothing to do with the opera whatsover—except for have some size things in it.

Some leaping feminine cohorts diagonally traversing the stage remind one, nostalgically, of the last movement of Bourree Fantasque, for example. The use of a trio, forcefully led by Heather Watts, as a counterpoint to his main ensemble, picked up the form and spirit of the music with Balanchine's customary genius. Sumane Farrell, who often appears to be a cross between a nymphet and a nymph, even caught something of the gusto of the opera, as she was loyally partnered by a bewildered-looking Adam Luders. It was not, however, precisely a dionysiac revel. More like the ladies' night at the Turkish baths. If we want a Walpurgis-nacht Ballet, I suggest that

Leonid Lavrovsky's version for the Bolshoi is infinitely more fun and less objectionably

We then had two pieces by Peter Martins-miniatures both, almost miniature miniatures. His Rossini pas de deux, first given as part of the com-pany's scrapbook of works in progress some 18 months ago, seems fluent but evasive. It has more steps than coherence, even though its aim, and it was decently danced by a quick-changing Miss Watts and Sean Lavery, seemed to be towards a flowing cantilena style.

Mr Martins is having to take his first steps as a choreo-grapher in a difficult spot-lighted attention—one, inciden-tally, wonders why he didn't taily, wonders why he didn't start earlier, every single major choreographer of record didnated with his latest occasional work, Eight Easy Pieces, one scarcely knows what one can fairly say about it. It was created a week or so ago for a benefit given for the dance collection of the New York Public Library. It was presumably intended to be as evanescent as a butterfly, and so it will probably prove. Set to Stravinsky's 1915 Suite for Two Pienos, Martins has conceived it as a simple trio for Two Pienes, Martins has conceived it as a simple trio for young girls in first bloom. The choreography fills in both stage and music without adding much originality to either. The three young girls—all fresh from the school of American Ballet, the beneficiary of this gala—looked like dewiresh children out of Marie Lauencin. For the record, they were Susan Gluck, Roma

they were Susan Gluck, Ros Sosenko and Stacy Caddell. This part of the programme ended, most appropriately, with Robbins's Circus Polku, a work specially made during the Stravinsky festival of 1972. It is just the very young girls of the school frolicking with discipline under the care of their special ringmaster, David Richardson.

the evening-drawing proper and due attention to this school's greatness and signifi-cance. Gala performances may come round every year, but, hopefully with the public's support and the nation's support, the School of American Ballet, that national treasure of equal importance to the company it spawns, will go on forever. Whoever is at the helm.

tered and blinkered view of world theatre. We know American plays and English plays, and we arrogantly scarcely give a damn for the rest of the world. No one got rich over Brecht, and Anouilh peaked too early. Luckily in New York City we have a tiny, valiant champion of world theatre—Robert Kalfin's Chelsea Theatre Centre,

The English-speaking theatre takes an extraordinarily shut-

our one theatre truly in touch with continental Europe, our one window on the non-English-speaking world. Currently the Chelsea Theatre is giving the American premiere of the French playwright, Yves Jamiaque's Monsieur Amilcar.

There are two inescapable things that have to be said about it. It is Pirandellian and it is a boulevard comedy. Some of my quicker colleagues will doubtless sum it up as a Pirandellian boulevard comedy. But the interesting thing about the play is simply that it is a contradiction in terms. Or at least tradiction in terms. Or at least terms that we once knew. Amilcar is despairing of the fantasies of life realities, so he determines to purchase the realities of its fantasies. He goes out and buys himself a wife (of 20 years standing), a daughter and a best friend. He has bought himself a family in good working order. Their duties are working order. Their duties are simple enough. They are paid to act out their roles, clinically but efficiently. When Amilcar

Balanchine, charms. They seem more like tasteful. It also pays attention For me it was the highlight of arrives home from this office, newcomer slobs than gobs. When, for to the music's sub-text. the evening—drawing proper his family awaits him.

When he goes to bed, they leave. Well, of course, fantasy and reality, Pirandello told as all about that, didn't he? On the large dramatic scale, yes, but Mr Jamiaque and his Amilear have some devilishly funny and pertinent afterthoughts—such as the perhaps simplistic notion that if you tell someone they are someone, they become that someone. To a surprisingly large extent this

Now for Mr Jamiaque's wicked boulevard element. We wicked boulevard element. We all know about boulevard comedy in New York, they are the Neil Simon plays that no-one of any intellectual perceptions is allowed to laugh ar-Jamiaque is a boulevard play-wright. He uses cheap wit as if it were gold-dust, and he ex-plores characters with the superficiality of a laser beam. He is no fool. Mr Jamiaque knows exquisitely what he is doing—he can turn people out on the sidewalk convinced they have seen a divine mixture of on the sidewalk convinced mev have seen a divine mixture of lonesco. TV soap-opera, brand unspecified, and a lecture on the psychology of existentia-listic logic. It is no mean trick.

The adaptation of the play, The adaptation of the play, by George Gonneau and Norman Rose, has the sense of awareness and colloquialism of an original, and Mr Kalfin's direction, aided and abetted by the settings by Michael Sharp, the costumes by Elizabeth P. Palmer and the lighting by Robby Monk, is as easy and as stylish as an aperitif at the Cafe Deput Magots. The acting is amiable throughout and in two amiable throughout and in two instances outstanding, Larry Keith as Amiltar is the very personage of controlled yet doubting desperation, and as his hired and surrogate wife Judith Bancroft plays perfectly the kind of cool woman hot fanta-sies are based on,

Gardening

# Unpredictable spring

I beg leave to designate December, January and February as the winter months. This fits nicely with my conception of spring as covering March, April and May. The behaviour of plants, their growth and time of flowering is more predictable the spring months. Plant growth is subject to several factors, mean air temperature, soil temperature and day length. Air and soil temperatures in the previous month or months have a very marked effect on

growth as was revealed by a series of photographs taken of the same clump of daffodils on February 1, 1914 to Febru-ary 1, 1942 and the same horse chestnut branch on April 1, 1913 to April 1, 1942, by a Mr John Willis. They were pub-lished in his book Weatherwise in 1944 and reproduced in L. P. Smith's book Seasonable Weather published in 1968. Both are sadly now out of print.

The difference in growth from year to year are quite remark-able. In 1920 for example the able. In 1920 for example the chestnut leaves were almost fully open and the flower spike, still in bud was several inches long. In 1921 the buds had not even begun to swell. In 1940 no growth was visible. With the daffodils, in 1934 the shoots were only one inch or so high, while in 1932 the flower buds were almost ready to open.

Widely fluctuating tempera-

Widely fluctuating temporatures from December to March are much more common than in October or November and thus have more effect on growth. Last autumn was very mild bence the early flowering of many plants.

If you decide deliberately to plant for winter colour, it is always a problem to decide where to put the plants. Should we dot them around the garden or should we make one or two concentrated plantings near the from the windows? If we do the latter the danger is that there will be large dull areas for the rest of the year.

Personally I favour the latter course because some of the plants are not unattractive later on—Hamamelis mollis gives us a second dividend of autumnal foliage and the foliage of Erica canea which is flowering massively just now

is not unattractive.

In any case with a little ingenuity one can place some herbaceous plants alongside or behind the winter flowers so that the area is not entirely devoid of colour in the summer. Ope can plant nepeta, a variety of Sedum spectabile or Coreop-sis verticillata behind clumps of crocuses or deffodils. They will grow slowly and take over from the bulbs as their foliage dies down. Last weekend we had on down. Last weekend we had on our dining table an arrangement of the green Garrya elliptica catkins, Iris unguicularis (I stylosa) Jasminum nudiflorum, hemamelis and heathers. On my desk is the first bloom of Camellia "Adolphe Audusson." but this is cheating a little because the bush is growing right against the north wall of the greenhouse—and here arises another thought. If we wish to have thought. If we wish to have flowers in winter and as early as possible in spring we must find a place for them that is as

warm and sheltered as possible. The rock plant enthusiasts house have rather a lean time in winter because your true alpines are normally snugly covered with snow and have no

intention, even in snowless winters here of changing their life style. But there are some lovely little plants that flower in winter and early springsome of the cyclamen species such as C collection which will often flower up to Christmas, C count giving its pink carmine or white flawers from December to March and C repundum which it it ones not flower in my "winter" does so soon after. But do buy living plants of cyclamen-the dry corms

often fail to grow. Another little plant in bloom er naw—carlier than usual—es the Moroccan buttercup, Ranunculus calandrinioides with white flowers flushed with pink and grey green leaves. These cyclamen and the ranunculus are available from W. Ingwersen Ltd. Birch Farm Nursery, Graverye. East Grinstead, Sussex RH19 4LE.

Soon Iris histrioides snowdrops, crocuses and hopefully the first of the daffodils February Gold will be out and spring will be just around the corner, That is, it as may well happen, the weather does not take a sudden prolonged turn for the worse.

Moss has grown happily on lawns in the mild weather. Deal with it now by applying a moss killer. Do not rake it out—it will shrivel away. You will almost surely miss some bits and it was the property of the mass out. almost surely muss some out-and if you rake the moss out-you may well spread it. You may have to give a second dose. I prefer to use a mercury based moss killer as it kills the spores as well as the moss and thus gives a longer lasting control. Some people with pers are worried about using these moss killers although I have had cats and dogs for years and had no trouble. But if you wont

#### Jobs for February

inspect all newly planted trees, shrubs, roses or other plants. If they have been loosened by frosts or gales tread them in again firmly. Check ties.

If you intend to buy any roses do so quickly as there is going to be a shortage later on. Inspect everything in storefruit, vegetables, tubers, gladiolus corms and remove any that are rotting. Watch for signs of mice and if necessary set traps. At one time our local mice seemed to prefer chocolate to cheese, but now we are notching up a good score by using a broad bean as bait.

It is worth while spending a few minutes on the small advertisements columns of your local newspaper or asking around because there is quite a lot of manure available these from mushroom farms.

In the greenhouse sow seeds of aminthinguns, lobelin, begonias and annual rudbeckias, also sweet peas to have early flowers. Sow opions and sum mer cabbage.

■ Sow tomato seeds if you have a propagating case or a window sill where the temperature can be kept at 60 deg F until the seeds germinate and if you can keep the greenhouse at 50 deg F after the seedlings have been pricked off.

holds good again as it did last year. "If Candlemas day be sunny and bright winter will mas day be cloudy with rain. winter is gone and won't come again.

Roy Hay

The collecting column will appear next week.



Aging gracefully A few years ago I was watching a European ski race at skis and the trend towards Sansicario when I got into congrouning pistes into wide

Travel

versation with an elderly Brit-ish ledy who was standing be-side ms on unfashionably long skis. Casually she let drop the fact that she had represented Britain in one of the early winter Olympics. Not only was she still skining but, as I later found, she was with a whole group of ancients who were having a very happy holiday doing off-piste excursions among the latrice and mountain mendows. larches and mountain meadows

It gave me new hope for the It gave me new hope for the future. Now that the unempected age of 50 is looming up through the miss-of time like an "End of Motorway" sign in the fog I find myself giving more thought to ways of skiing gracefully into old age. This has never been a problem for mountain folk. I remember an extremely old ski instructor in Austrie, who spent a whole day drinking beavily in a stormbound mountain but and next day led us unerringly down a crevasse-ridden glacier through blinding snow. I like to think It was not just luck that got us home. City folk, however, still think of skiing as a sport for young people, who spend their nights dencing and their days swooping athlenically down crowded tracks.

am convinced that more and more people are going to spend their retirement pay on the ski slopes, inflation permitting (or, more probably, not permenting). The Ski Club of Great Britain tells me they have members skiing well into their eighties, and there is a rising demand for their holiday packages with a minimum age of 50. They say that the main danger for old people on ski holidays comes to the the danger for old people on ski holidays comes to the the danger for old people on ski holidays comes to the danger for old people on ski holidays comes to the danger for old people on ski holidays comes to the danger for th from walking down icy village streets. This is far more risky and difficult than skiing which has become marketly easier

grooming pistes into wide bouleyards. Indeed I know a man of respectable age who says that short skis have added at least 10 years to his skiing life. Moreover there are now more and more people around who have learned a relatively effort-less style in their youth, and this is one of the keys to cruising enjoyably towards a late grave. Also, there are simply more people moving into the upper age groups as the structure of the population changes. Geriatric power is the wave of the future.

This means that the wavel This mesns that the wavel trade is going to have new fields to conquer. It is probably a significant sign of the times that Supertravel has lifted the age limit, which is otherwise 45, on three of their larger chalets in Val d'Isere, Courchevel and Cervinia. Apart from the fact that Mr Lewthwaite one of the founding directors, has reached the ad-vanced age of 39 and presumably does not want to be excluded from his own parties. they had begun to notice that sgents from the counter-culture of the over 45s had begun in-I noticed this myself last

year when I spent a short time as guest of a Supertravel chalet in Maribel. Swinging youth was there, but I was not the only undercover operative of only undercover operative by
the geriatric revolution. One
man (from another chalet) said
he had simply lied about his
age on the booking form. An
elderly gramny had slipped
along with her married son.
And I think I spotted one or two others. Subversion of the fabric of youth culture has clearly begun.

I hasten to add, for the sake and even a few agents from the counter-culture of age can be these were exceptions, Mr accepted as adding threads to the rich fabric of life. In any Lewthwaite says the average

age of their 12,000 or so winter Moreclients is around 32. over the visit confirmed my belief that chalet parties are the best value for money if one no cooking. They are cheaper than hotels and have the adventage of offering a kind of family atmosphere in which one can wander into the kicchen, fix oneself a drink or a coffee. The food was good, the girls nice, and the chalet comfort-

able, with a welcoming log fire in the afternoon. Of course you have to take the company as you find it unless you bring your own, and if you are alone you will probably have to share a room, but skiing is a relaxing business,

case they may now head for the larger chalets where they can throw off their cover and book under their real ages.

The other thing about skiing into middle or old age is to get the right mental attitude. Some people still cling grimly to the idea that one must spend every daylight moment on skis. Given price of ski lifts this is understandable, but there is just as much enjoyment to be had from looking at the trip not as a ski holiday but as a winter holiday, a way of getting away from Britain in January.

Personally I see iess and less point in elithering down icy slopes in heavy mist or snow merely for the sake of having done it. Skiing is fun when the snow is good and you can see where you are going. Otherwise there is more to be had

from a good book, a walk or a visit to the next town. Given that approach, the grave is probably the limit to the age to which one can carry on. So maybe someone will start chalet parties with a minimum age limit. Staffed by "chalet gran-

nies" perhaps? Postscript: Last month I briefly sampled Supertravel's no-age-limit chalet in Courchevel and found a very friendly and harmonious mixture of ages harmonious mixture of ages from brightest youth to a mellower group which earned high respect by setting off each morning for the most difficult runs it could find. Truly sking does something to people. A larger chalet—in this case a former hotel—necessarily former hotel — necessarily creates a larger and looses group with a wider choice of

simply one of the best resorts in the world, a paradise of per-fectly groomed pistes and open slopes intelligently linked and epreading across the famous Three Valleys to form a gigantic area with runs of all types and standards. It has only two defects. Its icy, car-ridden streets are unnecessarily dangerous, and the maps issued to skilers are nothing short of tenderly and of the maps issued to skilers are nothing short of tenderly and of the standard are nothing short of tenderly are of the standard are nothing short of tenderly are of the standard are nothing short of the standard are of the standar scandslous—inadequate, out of date, wrong in detail, and a cause of constant grumbles. That such an easily corrected detail is allowed to flaw perfection is inexplicable. In other respects Courcherel pampers its visitors with some of the best organized, comfortable and well-fed skiing imaginable.

Richard Davy

#### Chess

# Optimism for the Olympiad

The finals of the European Team arbiter, I was enthralled by the world champion Karpov in no Championship which ended at Skara in Sweden last week were played. England had not yet had a resounding victory over Skara in Sweden last week were the seventh of a series which I find the choicest and most fascinaring of all team championships. Though not perhaps so important as the World Team Championship which has attained greater recognition by mere weight of numbers, it exmere weight of numbers, it excels the Olympiad in quality if not in quantity and is a constant reminder that chess as we know it, the modern form of the game that is as opposed to the ancient form known as Chaturanga which is Asiatic in origin, first

garted in Europe. The Olympiad consists of a vast hodge-podge of teams of all sorts of strength, and weakness, ranging in quality from fine to good, to average, to medium rare and to helf-baked. But an intense sifting process has at-ready taken place with the European team final and the result is a wonderful collection of exciting and fine games. I well remember how this impressed me during the first of the series which was held at Vienna and Baden-bei-Wien in 1957 and where I was the chief arbiner. There were only four teems then, but they played a double round tournament so that one had the pleasure of seeing great players in action against each other twice over so

The USSR was an overwhelming winner then and has won it ever since. The event assumed its present form of eight teams Kapfenberg in Austria in fichused visit 1970 and once again, as chief

played. England had not yet taken part in this event, but we played when the finals were held in Bath in 1973. The first held in Bath in 1973. The first held in Bath were USSR manifested itself. While the English top boards continued to large wonders the lower conform wonders the lower continued. held in Sath in 1975. The tirst three teams then were USSR 401, Yugoslavia 34 and Hungary 33 and we came equal 5th and 6th with West Germany with 24 points. We fared worse at Mos-When is came to preparing

our team for Skare we were our team for Sade we water fully conscious that our team was the best we had ever sent to the finals and that it had excellent chances of doing well. The many years' concentration on the bringing on of young players had produced a young team containing four grandmasters and two players on the verge of becoming grand-masters. Moreover, and this was very important in its bearing on the morale of our players, the team was no longer going as a sort of band of poor relations who would watch with envy the perquisites and rewards accruing to other more fortunate teams. This was all owing to the generosity of the firm of Dun-can Lawrie which acred as fairy godmother to the tune of some 23,000.

The result of all this was at once apparent. In the very first round we met the Soviet team and scored 4-4 against them. Tony Miles set the tempo and the degree of attainment for the leading boards by beating the that, had this been an Olympiad

boards were correspondingly dismal failures. So much so that though on the first four boards points. We fared worse at later cow in 1977 where we were bottom with 21 points, the first against Bulgaria England scored 3—1, on the lower boards Bulgaria 31 and Yugoslavia 30.

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The preparing

This pattern repeated itself till the round when the English lower boards at last made good and England beat Yugosiavia by 6—2. In the penultimate round they beat Sweden by 41—31 and this meant they were second to the Soviet team with a morch in prospect in the last round against their nearest rivals Hungary.

In the last round the four top English boards scored only 11-2! against Hungary and this meant that, with the USSR an easy first with 362 points, Hungary came second with 29 and England third with 284. There followed Yugoslavia 28, Bulgaria 274. Czechoslovakia 26. Israel 25 and Sweden 234. The evenness of the struggle, with the exception of the USSR, was shown by the fact that Hungary, English and Polymers. land, Yugoskavia and Bulgaria were each consecutively half a

point below the other. How notable the achievement of the top English players was appears from the consideration

and play confined to four boards England would have scored as follows: v USSR 3-1 scored as follows: v USSK 3—1 v Bulgaria 3—1, v Czechoslov-akia 2—2, v Israel 3—1, v Yugo-slavia 3—1, v Sweden 24—14 and v Hungary 11—23. Un-doubtedly, had this been an Olympiad, England would have come first and this augurs well for our prospects in the Olym-piad later this year.

England won three best score prizes: on the first board where Tony Miles scored 4½/7, on the third board where Nunn did even better with 5/7 and on the fifth board where Keene shared the prize with the Israeli grandmaster Kraidman with 42/7.
Michael Steam had the fine score of 41/7 on second board and Speelman and Mestel both had the more than satisfactory score of 31 6 on boards 4 and 7, respectively. The scores on the ingly dismal and are best left in decent obscurity. But all the same it was a notable performance and the first time in the history of the event when a Western European country figured among the medals.

No one has made such a notable advance in big inter-national chess as John Nunn and here is how he beat the formidable Soviet grandmaster Polugaievsky in Round 1 White, Polugaievsky. Nuon. Modera Benoni,

1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 N-KB3 P-B4 3 P-Q5 P-K3 4 P-B4 PaP 5 PaP P-Q3 6 N-B3 P-KN3

All up to here as in the game Korchnoi-Mecking, Augusta 1974, which continued 12..., P-KN4; 13. B-N2, P-N5; 14. KR-K1. N-R4; 15. N-Q1, N-R5; 16. B-N5, R-B1; 17. N-K3, Q-N4; 18. N-B5, BxN; 19. PxB, N (K4)-Q6; 20. BxN, BxB with

15 QR-K1

Better is 15. N-Q1, and if then 15..., Q-R5; 16. N-K3. 15 . . . . Q-RS 16 P-84

This loses the exchange; he could have played 16. N.Q1, with equality, but possibly he fails to foresee Black's 20th

Or 17. P-KR3, B-05 ch; 18. K-R1 N-B7 ch; 19. K-R2, BxP; 20. N-B3, QxP ch and Black

Exchange of Oueens would

have averted the enemy surprise Bishop move, but even so after 20. QxQ, BxQ: 21. R.K2, B-Q5; 22. NxB, PxN; 23. N-Q1, B-N5; 24. R-K1, BxN; 25. RxB, RxP; Black has an easy win,

Decisive; since 21. PxB, QxN is mate and 21. Q-Q2, ExP is also mate White has nothing better than to defend his NP-



Threatening to play PxB dis

Or 23. N-Q1, BxP ch; 24. RxB, Q-B8 ch; 25. R-N1, Q-B6 ch; 26. R-N2, RxP; 27. Q-Q2, QR-K1; and White is helpless against the double threat of R-K8 ch and R-K7.

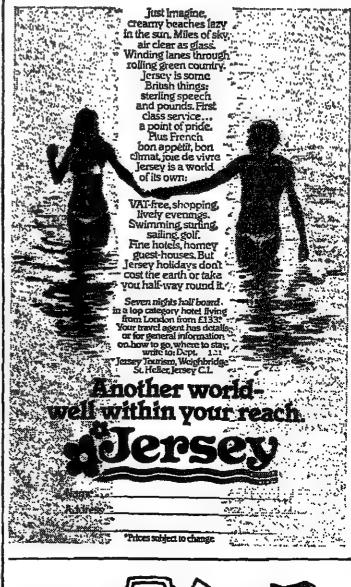
And not 26. Q-R8 ch, K-Q2 27. OxR, Q-B6 ch; 28. R-N2

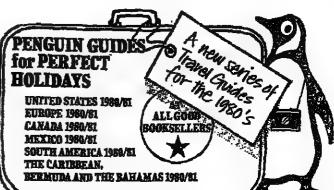
R-K8 mate. 25 . . . R-K8 29 P-88 K-Q2 27 RxR ish Ox R ch 30 CxP Q-Q7 sh 28 K-N2 R-B1 31 K-N3 QxP Preferable to 31. . 32. QxP ch, K-Q1; 33. Q-K7

32 K-R4 R-K1 White resigns.

mare,

Harry Golombek





Fred Emery on how close Mrs Thatcher came to losing a minister

# Cabinet tremors over the cuts

The political resignation that Castle, would have caused a sensation this week did not happen. No, it is not Mr James Callaghan's. The Leader of the Opposition has been rather testy with the growing chorus urging him to stay no longer on the manner of his going but he will not retire before November if he can help it. In his case it was a pity BBC strikers prevented transmission of his interview recorded with Mr Robin Day, for Mr Callaghan seemed in-tent on showing that he was still in charge.

Had Mr Callaghan gone, there would have been no sensation, only fascination over the succession and whether Mr Denis Healey would be deprived is to the seismic shock of a ministerial resignation from Mrs Thatcher's Cabinet.

Consider: a government beset by a steel strike, having to become more provocative towards trades unions as a result of Lord Denning and his colleagues; a government wrest-ling with inflation and squeezing still more out of public expenditure; a government challenging EEC partners and even the Russians. A resignation would have convulsed the scene and propelled the Prime Minister to a crisis of credibility which she has so striven

How near was such a resigna-tion? It is a bit like asking how near we were to losing be seen that so Harrisburg in last year's nuclear ment continues. accident. We may never know, Those engaged in the battle for sure, unless, like Mrs want it clear that there is no

Thatcher's team is keeping a diary. But in the view of several senior politicians the if - they - force - that - on - me -I - shall - have - to - go Richter scale was certainly recording tremors last week. The great "them and us"

fight over money between department and ministers might have had five or six ministers muttering threats, according to one view; for another, the number was two, perhaps only one.

Now, the great strain of cutting spending back still farther is bound to produce ructions and conflicts of heart and head and loyalties. There is no reason why Conservatives should be any different from Labour in this; indeed if it can be said that this Cabinet contains more men of principle than the last the strain is

heavier. But perspective requires a clear distinction be made between rehearsing resignation threats to the mirror or to one's colleagues and actually going in to the Prime Minister and uttering. There is no evidence that last week it actually had to come to that. But from the Cabinet's inability to conclude its settlement over who surrenders what to meet the target of a further £1,000m off next year's spending (leaving aside our receding "money back" from the EEC) it can be seen that some dour argu-

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one suspects, for Treasury officials as for politiciaus, and

no one made more of it than

the Conservatives. And there's

the rub. How could the Conser-

vatives, the party of the flag and champion of the Services, contemplate defence spending

cuts? Well, the short answer is

that they did, at least in terms of not increasing spending as

they had promised.
This was not an uncourageous

real divergence over objective. became a way of life-as much, Restoration of the economy is the agreed priority, so, too, is even by the departments who spend most. But big spenders obviously having to cut t, with one exception,

Again, it is said by ministers, everyone understands that the Chancellor and his immediate colleague, Mr John Biffen, have the duty to try making sure that no one escapes the cut, even if only by paring knife. In the present exercise when Mrs Thatcher publicly stated, that no sacred cows would be respected, her head if not her heart has to be with the Treasury men, especially when other besieged ministers are saying that defence increases simply cannot be afforded. In the nuclear age cannot a brigade of tanks walt another

year? Under Labour, defence cuts

fence spending, as well as get-ting and keeping "full comparability" for service pay. Meanwhile the Soviet Union in Afghanistan seemed to con-firm the Iron Lady's prescience over the Kremlin's ill inten-

next year over this year's de-

This helped prepare public acceptance not only of immediate increases but of the costly and contested replacement of the British nuclear determent which will be decided this spring. Furthermore, we were calling our principal EEC

In such an atmosphere Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, might have been fancied a likely beneficiary, like his Pentagon colleague, of a big boost to his budget; not a bit. Mr Pym's budget; not a bit. Mr Pym's plan was for gradual year-byyear improvement, commensurate with the maximum the economy could stand. But he was faced with an increasingly desperate rearguard action to hold on to what he had promised.

thing to do. Indeed Labour MPs would have been bound to How could his Defence white paper, to appear at the end of this month chead of the Expenditure white paper, be presented plausibly? As one backbench Tory sprang it on Mrs Thatcher during last Monday? applaud rather than jeer. But it must have seemed heresy when set against the dogma and commitments of faith. "Labour have cut down our forces, weakened our defences and re-duced our contribution to Nato day's debate, when she was talking about doing "whatever one of contribution to Nato . . . it is already obvious that significant increases will be necessary", stated the 1979 Conservative manifesto, leaving the level to be decided in gov-ernment. Once installed they committed themselves to the is necessary to counter Soviet policies", would this not be the possible moment for to make "any unilateral spending in

The Prime Minister, in reiterating the Government's basic pledge of 3 per cent, was thought by other Tories to have planted the question in order to help Mr Pym in his battle

with the Chancellor. But, for her, that is too Machiavellian. Mrs Thetcher was reputed at that stage to be backing Sir Geoffrey. Other Cabinet col-leagues did not rate highly Mr Pym's chances of escaping the cuts unscathed

But Mr Pym, MC, who in some respects is a bit of a lone wolf, in others a political operator, is the last man who could be asked to argue a case he would not accept. The commitments the Government made were for him paramount, for national security, for morale and for political credibility. He had his sticking point. And, although on Thursday

afternoon some Commons observers were startled at seeing him sitting for a good while longer than seemed necessary in the row behind the Front Bench, the happy end of this chapter is that he has won. How and when he carried it off is not yet clear. But Mrs Thatcher agrees that the defence commitments, pay and equipment, must be kept, with no paring down at the edges. This insight into the strains of this so far secretive Government in no way suggests a Cabinet in disarray. But is it growing restive under pressure? Or is it, as ministers contend good government reathrough tough arguments.

# What South Africa must do to play

What changes in South Africa sport would justify its readmission to world competition after more than a decade of controversy, protest and isloa-tion? The simple answer is: the eradication of sports apartheid. But as the Sports Council's fact-finding mission, now out in South Africa, is doubtless realizing, a much more precise formulation is needed f the changes to be made. For whilst the recent changes

in the country's sport have been significant by South African standards, by world standards they have been entirely superficial. The sports vstem has been given a facelift, with racial restrictions being relaxed in certain limited respects and usually during national or prestige events likely to attract international attention. But at club level where change must occur if it is to have any meaning for most sportsmen and women— racialism still rules. As a government MP said in South Africa's House of Assembly on May 21 last year: "Integrated clubs and integrated sport constitutes far less than one per cent of total sport activities in South Africa". in South Africa ".

Moreover, a string of apartheid laws and regulations actually make multi-racial sport illegal, the only way they can be circumvented being to apply for special permits which are strictly controlled.

South Africa should be re-

South Africa should be required, therefore, to remove apartheid from sport by meetapartness from sport by meeting eight major conditions. By doing that it would be on the same footing as other countries with repressive regimes—such as the Soviet Union and Chile but whose sports systems do not reflect in their organization and practice their organization and practice their country's oppres-sive or discriminatory politics. As present South Africa uniquely singles herself out for protest in the sports arena, on

sporting grounds.

The first condition is that both the South African Government and all internationally recognized South African sports organizations should make public commitments to a fully integrated, truly non-racial sports system. So far they have hidden behind terms like "multi-national" or "normal" sport, refusing to declare a willingness to abolish apartheid from sport.

from sport.
Secondly an Act of Parliament should be instituted specifically exempting ell aspects of sport from the apartheld laws and regulations restricting it. At present, the 1945 Urban Areas Act controls block seven facili Act controls black sports facili-ties and restricts their use by permit. The 1950 Group Areas Act segregates the population sportsmen and women in-cluded—and in October 1973 a proclamation was issued by the Sports Minister enabling multi-racial matches to be barned on private grounds as well. The Reservation of Separata Ameni-ties Act 1953 and the Liquor Act 1928 prevent the integra-tion of ground and club feelijnes for refreshments, seating, tollets and dancing, Many other laws interfere with sport—such as the pass laws which prevent African sportsmen or women from travelling freely to "away" matches or on tours; this would have to be stopped by waiving the pass laws for Africans whilst engaged in sport.

Third, part of that new sports act should expressly forbid the constitution of any sports club or sporting federation from containing racially exclusive rules or conditions of member-

Fourth, all pleyers, specta-tors, trainers and officials should have the same rights of access to all sports clubs and ground facilities. Fifth, the organizations con-

Integrated clubs and integrated sport constitute far less than one per cent of sport activities

dominant white bodies have enjoyed exclusive international links, but have now begun to co-opt (albeit upon a subserv-ient basis) those black bodies which coofine membership to Africans or Asians or Coloureds and do not allow mixing between these different black ethnic groups. However the third group, the non-racial sports bodies which draw members from all the black racial groups and a small, though growing number of whites—on the whole represent the majority of blacks in each sport. It is necessary as a result to have a single, nonracial and democratic organizason governing each sport.
Sixth, within the educational system—and especially at school level—all sport should

be integrated.
Seventh, the South African Government should implement a sports development programme to raise the level of black sports facilities and opportunities, with each citizen

enjoying an equal proportion of state funds devoted to sport. Eighth, all official restric-tions on and heressment of nontions on and harassment of non-racial sports officials should end forthwith. For whilst the white controlled sports system has recently been decorated with a few compliant blacks, the non-racial groups who have stuck to their guns have been intimidated by the security services or prosecuted.

Some of their leading officials have been served with banning orders and have been denied passports to present their case

passports to present their case abroad. Even the former white Springbok triallist. "Cheeky" Watson, who in 1977 resigned from the white rugby body and joined the non-racial South African Rugby Union, has been arrested several times. Solely arrested several times, solely for the "crime" of entering a black township to play for his

new multi-raciel team.

These eight conditions, it shrould be noted, do not require the abolition of apartheid in its broader political, economic or social sense, although they will undoubtedly encourage that abolition. Instead, they are confined to sport and if implemented in their entirety could open the way for South Africa's re-admission to world sport. That would not imply any lesseming of opposition to apar-theid as a whole, merely an acknowledgement that sport had been exempted from it.

Nothing less than the full implementation of these conditions would be acceptable however. For the past decade has shown that only an uncompromising stance produces results. As has now been conceded by the heart transplant surgeon, Professor Christian Bar-nard and, more recently, by South Africa's rugby supreme, Dr Danie Craven, isolation bas worked: the protest campaigns heve done more than anything else to force changes. In the past both men were fierce critics of these campaigns. Thus, South Africa must remain in south Africa must remain in isolation until it legislates to remove spartheid from sport. Ventures such as the British Lions rugby tour serve only to reverse the tide of change created by the boycotts: unless whites have an incentive to accelerate changes beyond the present cosmetic level the record shows they will not do so. cord shows they will not do so.

Peter Hain 🤏

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trolling sport should be entirely integrated, abolishing the present "tri-partite" structure which comprises whites only bodies, small blacks only bodies and non-racial bodies. The

Solution to The Times Crossword, No 1, February 1, 1930.

ACROSS-1, Smear; 4, Penseroso; 10, Mayo; 11, Nomad; 13, Respected; 15, Sew; 17, Dean; 18, Diehard; 21, Suspect; 23, Relief; 25, Soar; 26, Skid; 27, Tureens; 30, Con; 33, Immense; 36, Alto; 38, Umbo; 39, Turtle; 41, Rasping; 43, Earldom; 45, Tara; 47, See; 48, Diffident; 50, Egret; 51, Enid; 52, Selenites; 53, Total.

DOWN-2, Maori; 3, Abashed; 4, Par; 5, Eyed; 6, Noses; 7, Evensong; 8, Ostler; 9, Oddity; 12, Deal; 14, Pause; 16, Writ; 18, Desk; 19, Erin; 20, Deuce; 22, Pas; 24, Front; 28, Ensue; 29, Ambition; 31, Sled; 32, Doom; 33, Imp; 34, Monad; 35, Eras; 36, Allegro; 37, Brides; 38, Useful; 40, Tree; 42, Greet; 44, Opera; 46, Anne; 49, Tis.

The solution to the clue "To be, or not to be, that is the (not eight letters but 11)" was aposiopesis. This word means the breaking off of a sentence.

# Can Russian peasants teach us about worship?

As a member of the General Synod of the Church of England and before that of the Church Assembly, I voted for all the liturgical experiments then contemplated. Experiments had to be made in the West, but frequent visits to eastern Europe put a question mark against many things that I had voted for.

We were told with some confidence that old fashioned language in the Bible and the Prayer Book were unintelligible to many, or alternatively that though people could understand it when they tried, they "turned off" when they heard the cadences of Crapmer and the Authorized Version. But when I went to Russia I found fervent and large congrega-tions, always including many mple men and women, who listened with intense devotion to very long services which were not easily "understanded of the people". It was as if the Book of Common Prayer had been composed by Chaucer instead of Cranmer and the Bible translated by the author of Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.

never having learnt any of the older forms of Slavonic, I first. But. like a Russian pessant I learnt to stand through a service of two or three hours, and gradually what I beard and saw began to come into focus. At the twentieth hearing I would suddenly understand one of the sentences for St John

the Baptist's day.
Coming back to Britain I seldom felt the depth of worship that I encountered so often in Russia. But I gave two cheers for Series Two and one cheer for Series Three. We did not seem to have arrived anywhere in particular but we were on way. There are some striking beauties in the new forms service, as well as much that is insipid. I soon found that one can pray in the new ways, hut for me, as for many others, the older forms remained " the C major of this life ".

Twenty years ago we in the West had to experiment with worship, we needed new translations of the Bible and new church structures for the new age. Now we have had experiments in all these fields and what is the result? Some people have been helped and at particular places. cular places small advances have been made with groups that were previously church resistant. But by and large the churches are emptier than

But when I go back to eastern Europe I find that, without doing any of the things that I voted for when I was a member of the Synod, the churches have made notable advances. When the New English Bible came out, the Russian congrega-

By and large the churches are emptier than before

tions, which are those I know best, were fervent but uneduca-ted. Nowadays the preponderant element in these same congresstions is increasingly the younger intelligentsia, precisely the element that under Tsarism and for the first 40 years of the Revolution was most resistant

The Pope's visit to Poland has shown how deep religious feeling is in that country. And in varying degrees the same is true of other countries in Communist eastern Europe. In particular it is no longer pos-sible to understand the Soviet Union without taking account of the religious dimension.

The churches of eastern Europe are very conservative their hold on both simple and learned is great, and is increasing year by year. At the same time religious belief and pracrice in the West makes little progress, if it is not actually in decline. It would be going too far to say that traditional expressions of faith are always likely to have a stronger appea than experimental forms of worship. But it is clear that by themselves the modern reforms do only a little, at the best, to commend the Gospel to modern man, whereas in the right con-ditions traditional worship

Personally I conclude that faith is the supreme factor in the attraction of the Gospel. Where faith has been tried in the fire, as in the communist countries of eastern Europe, it is strong and draws to itself tens of millions. Where it is weak, as so often in the West, the attraction is far less. The language of worship and the structures of church life are secondary. Faith can work through any language and any structure but a deeper faith will generally prefer a worship

is strongly rooted in

attracts with tremendous power

I do not want to stop any of the experiments now being made in my own church or any other church, And I do not want to go back to the 1662 Prayer Book. But I believe that in the end we shall return to a worship that is more catholic and more traditional than most of what we are now trying out. In the end perhaps it is Series One that will suit us best.

John Lawrence

# James Bond: from action man to a slapstick puppet hero

James Bond is the most glitter-James Bond is the most glittering and costly of the cinema's
heroes. Suave and indestructible, he has strode through
some 11 films, made a fortune
for their makers and survived
triumphantly through two
decades. As we enter the 80s
there are two Bond movies in
the pipeline. the pipeline.

United Artists promise us For Your Eyes Only, almost certainly another glittering mechanized carnival along the lines of the recent Moonraker and almost certainly starring affable Mr Roger Moore. Meanwhile, Sean Connery, the original Bond and the best, wants to leap back into harness. His projected movie Warhead, which stars himself as 007 in which stars nimear as 007 in a script co-written with Len Deighton, is apparently going into production in March. All of which is interesting because the Roger Moore Moohraker was the worst of the series, and the current retrospective at the NET has no only cited Red. NFT has not only given Bond some sort of official recognition but has also indicated that there's a nosteleic yearning after Connery's lethal 60s prototype.

Bond is bigger then ever now, but its status bas shifted a hit. In the 60s it was stylish pop; at present it's costly rubbish. The moviemakers have turned the repacious 007 into an emasculated marionette, a dummy with moveable parts who merely acts as the central detonator for a slapstick world of combustible hardware and jaded mechanical serpieces. Connery galvanized the rather dull scripts he was given into insolent life, made the expen-sive world of the chic commercial a backdrop for beroics and blew to shreds the idea that Bond was the "card-board booby" of Fleming's novels.

Moore has worked the trick backwards: his Bond is the prop for a series of costly advectisements for anything from Seiko watches to the construction kit sets that are

wheeled out now with such predictable facility.

The original Connery-Bond was essentially a 60s hero; arrogant, classless, liberated, promiscuous, flippant and intensely conspicuous. He wasn't part of the cults of rebellion or youth or permissiveness but the classless style, anarchic violence and casual promiscuity of the characterization marked the tone of a clubland hero who wasn't clubable and who flouted clubland rules. It was a deft and impertment updating of the traditional hero, a workable mode for an anti-traditional age. Right from the aggressive, punchy image of the lithe silhquette who turns and fires at the audience to the casually sexy love-at-last fadeout, Bond was a celebration of the 60s zest for consumer orientated hedonism and go-getting action. There was a recognizable British scene in the 60s; by

has produced some fine and intelligent movies; the emer-gence of talents like Coppola and Scorcese have been com-pensations for the vicarious the time the 70s got under-way it had vanished. British brutality of movies like Dirty Harry and its fascist obsession



Sean Connery as Bond in "Diamonds are Forever"-a lethal prototype.

the crystalizing image of ditched the half-baked Swinging London had gone optimism of the 60s bur hadn't forever. There was a sense, too, anything to replace it with, and that British concerns were no the decade has felt numb and longer those of the world. More empty and raw. A Clockwork interesting and important things were happening across the Atlantic

This idea of Britain as a " shabby little island delighted with itself " 'Hare') wasn't conducive to the bogus imperialism from which the Bond heroics had spring. Consequently, the Bond character became super-ciliously English and the movies tried to find themselves American playlands. The far west of Diamonds Are Forever was followed by another giddy
American spin in Live And Let
Die, with such hot United
States concerns as black power
and narcotics being given a kind of camp English overkill.

The Man With The Golden Gun
saw Bond flirting with the
problem of solar energy, The Spy Who Laved Me got Spy Who Loved Me got very cuddly about détente and Moonraker was an Airfix kit version of the NASA space shuttle scheme.

The 70s were an ugly and abrasive decade substituting crudity for panache. At best their tone of sour compassion

Orange, Text Driver, and the two parts of The Godfather have epitomised this sense of a negative ideology. Bond has had problems because, in the 60s, killing people was a sexy joke. In the 70s we became aware of the nastiness underneath this comic pornography.
Manson proved just how unfurny the idea of killing people for kicks really was, and it wasn't long before Dirty Harry and Taxi Driver took this voyeuristic neurosis and turned into a reactionary virtue. Bond was too light in tone, too much of a desk-top toy, to take this vindictive committedness. The moment Roger Moore stepped inm the graceless Live And Let Die Bond became flabby and harmless, a square guffaw at the expense of a decade now past. With his twee cigars, smart sporting blazers and cosy features Moore threw

out Connery's insolent cool and replaced it with an awful pink geniality. The 70s saw that the only way to deal with Bond was to send him up. When Connery returned to the role after George Lazenby's strait-laced gaffe in On Her Majesty's Secret Service, he came larking back in a wittily written piece of black camp that sent his own

Diamonds Are Forever may have been camp but at least it had a hero; Connery's adroit self-parody was an affectionate tribute to the ingenuous becoice of the early 60s. Moore's Bond isn't a hero because he isn't a star. He's a perky asteroid whose proper place is the bland knockabout of the multi-episode TV action series. In the 70s Bond reached a camp impasse; no heros, no villains, no plot, no danger. All that was left was a form of

demented mechanic slapstick rendered impotent by its own lack of purpose and direction. The late 70s saw the revival of the hero and a new, guarded optimism. Star Wars, The Deerhunter and Superman have all, in their different ways returned to the big budge movie, the old-fashioned hero who affirms traditional values in a new age and a new idiom The astutest move of 70s was to get Connery back to guy his own ironic heroism. The astutest move they could make now would be to abandon Roger Moore's aging tele star and call in a red blooded young sophisticate who could reinstall the deadly style of the early movies and revamp their heroic ingenuousness. It is time for the hero to reclaim his role as the propulsive centre of his own lethal legend.

Andrew Rissik

# SPORTS DIARY

#### Dad's show goes on at Monterey

California The show goes on. In 1937 Bing Crosby because of his love of golf and acquaintance with its professionals on the one hand, and his involvement in the world of entertainment on the other, gathered a few friends from both worlds together and ran a competition. After play the company stayed on for a barbecue evening. From such small beginnings the Crosby pro-am grew into something so big that more than £11m has gone to charities. When the world's most famous crooner died in 1977 the tournament must surely have continued under its own impetus even had the founder not cared. But he cared and it has been left to

his younger son, Nathaniel, who inherited his love for the game, to maintain the tradition. Nathaniel is 19, a scratch

golfer and a student at Miami University where he has already begun winning local tournaments. In acting as host at the head of the organizing commit-tee for the event which has had its headquarters at Pebble Beach since the war, he shows all the ease of manner in mixing with dukes and dustmen that distinguished his father. The impact of his youthful person ality on the event is clear cut already, but as he says-"It will always be dad's show".

marish. In 1952, for example, Cary Middlecoff and Ed Crow key, who were twice in the In talking to an American pro-winner's circle during that fessional golfer who has not yet decade, decided there was only reached the peak of his career

ing up the golf bags into a speckade against the gale. But it is a dream of a place for golfers. It is a little late in my career to start enthusing about the beauties of the Monterey peninsula. The cypress trees are still weirdly gnurled, the seaweed smells as pungent as ever it did, the Pacific breakers still proudly toss their white manes. It has all been said before and perhaps the highest compliment that could be paid it now is to add that the descriptions I had pre-viously read of it have not proved exaggerated

The weather can be nightof touring

remarkable personality, who enpionship, which constitute the Grand Slam, has an interest in Grand Slam, has an interest in the history of the game which is not simply a raising of the hat to tradition. It is real and British

field, and he prompted my omemory in naming the first winner of the championship on that course, the amateur Barold Hilton. He even knew about the auction last autumn of an original print of J. H. one way to keep the ball on the one might expect to have to Harold Hilton. He even knew the last big tennis tournament pin on the famous 17th tee at prepare the ground a little beabout the auction less autumn in New York. An American Cypress, and that was by build fore starting a conversation of an original print of J. H. tennis writer tells me the

about one of the old Big Three of British golf, J. H. Taylor, who won his last Open chumpionship in 1913.

Taylor by "Spy" that fetched some hundreds of pounds.

If all this makes him sound a dilettante of the professional pionship in 1913.

But not if the professional in question is Ben Crenshaw. This remarkable personality, who en joys the dubious distinction of the design of courses which is being champion runner up having finished second in the four major events—the British and US Opens, the Masters and the US Opens, the Masters and the loves the people and places American Professional Cham- on tour, even though an indifcourse will nearly always draw the worst out of

numbered there by the invading force. Even so, this most distant corner of America does not lack British infiltration at vost of the Scottish capital chose a good time to visit "the twin" last week for it twin" last week, for it comtwin" last week, for it comcided not only wish the professional golf tournament but
Californian temperature, but
working, was Professor Ronald
Mandsley who for many years
would be a superior of the company to the given by the strong community of those in the city with Scottish ancestry. Whether the San Diegans bandled the haggis in the approved manner may be open to question, but there can be no doubt of their warm reception of Lord and Lady Borthwick, their distin-guished guests of honour.

Another Scot was in San Diego on rather different grounds Mr Ronnie Rossi, landinvited to play in the Andy school. In between visits to the

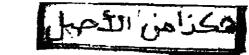
natives were heavily outnot be a show-biz personality in his own right, but he has a rarer quality, a striking resemthis time of year. San Diego has character Kojak, including a words amounts to learning recently become twinned with shaven head. It is perhaps just what they are doing wrong by Edinburgh and the Lord Pro- as well that Mr Rossi did not understanding the behaviour come on to the Crosby pro-am because the real Kojak, Telly

Maudsley who for many years the possibility that if the fuel was in charge of university golf situation gets worse and costs at Oxford. He has his year neatly divided up now between San Diego University law school in the winter, New York in the autumn, and a return to his old university in the summer. Over the border in Nevada there has been an opportunity for another Briton to acquire a mild tan. Diego on rather different Golf has now turned up on grounds. Mr Ronnie Rossi, land the Strip in Las Vegas in the lord of a Paisley pub, had been form of the John Jacobs golf

Williams pro-am. Mr Rossi may pool side, which in that city can mean either swimming or gambling, tourists can have the benefit of his celebrated teaching system which in simple words emounts to learning of the ball you have just hit.

Another Briton enjoying the An article appeared recently in but a Los Angeles paper written in mald a light vein, looking ahead to years the possibility that if the fuel rise, there might in the winter months be a mass emigration from the frozen North-east to the Californian resorts. All that would be left behind in the ghost cities of New York and Chicago would be caretakers. a few civil servants, and a skeleton police force, until the migrants returned

Peter Ryde



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Teaching of maths

in primary schools

Sir. When I read your report (Jan-

unry 31) that there has been a "sharp decline" in the performance

of primary schoolchildren when applying their basic concepts and skills in more complex or un-familiar settings, I dug out my own

primary maths books, from the mid-fifties, to compare them with the

work I am doing with a group of 20 comparable 11-year-olds at this

I found in my old books a much

smaller volume of work, concentra-ted on excellence in a very few irems. I found that when I was 10

I could work out by long division that £94 9.03, whom divided by 25, was £3.15.63. I could also do it when I was eight. That sort of "sum" was

about the peak of my achievement and it enabled me to sail through

the 11 plus a year early. Our school was very well thought of locally.

A comparison with that level of

computation might well show a decline in achievement, but my present children have studied decimals, fractions, geometry and

shape, algebraic representation, statistics and graphwork to a far

higher level than I did. They have a greater awareness of what maths is

all about and they are now learning that most valuable of skills, par-ticularly in the days of the calcu-

I have no doubt that today's well

raught children know and learn much more maths than did those

children who were considered well taught 20 or more years ago. The less able child, too, is far better off,

learning about more useful and interesting things than did his pre-

decessors, who spent years miser-

ably struggling over problems without ever grasping what they were all about. (He still has to learn

lator, the art of estimation.

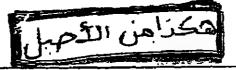
From Mr R. P. Welch

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# GOOD LAW? BAD JUSTICE

ល់ថ្មី <sup>ស្រាជ</sup>និស្សា Yet again the Law Lords have hetween trade and political disresisted the temptation to equitable but creative interpretation of law dangled before them by Lord Denning. How far they have rejected his arguments we shall not know until the judgments are published. When they come they will certainly be read with interest. The speed and unanimity of their decision, and Lord Diplock's comment that there were no significant differences between this case and that of McShane, suggest that the rejection is emphatic. But the full judgments on the McShane case, also unanimous, showed significant disagreement on important matters of law, and it is unlikely that the new judgments will fully clear up the uncertainties that remain in the law on secondary industrial action. Only legislation, now promised by the Government, can do that. The clear practical unfairness of yesterday's decision, however well-based on the statute, makes legislation imperative in any case. Its immediate result is that the private steelmen are to be called out again, in order to put pressure on the Government. Lord Diplock's words seem at least to rule out Lord Denning's

proposition that two separate

disputes existed in the steel

strike, one a trade dispute where

all the usual immunities for

industrial action could be

political dispute, aimed at the

Government rather than the

employer, where they could not.

In the House of Commons yes-

terday Mr Hugh Fraser proposed

the compulsory registration of

all those who might be eligible

for military or some form of

national service at a time of

crisis. This is a constructive idea,

but we do not think it is neces-

sarily the right one. That there

is a case for improving the

country's preparedness is un-

questionable, although paradoxi-

cally there are those who will question it. Not for the first time

in its history Britain is strangely

unready to cope with the unfore-

seen. Our armed forces are well-

motivated, well-trained and rea-

sonably well-equipped. But they

would be needed in wartime

simply to plump out the ranks

to battlefield strength, after which there would be no rapid

means of reinforcement. There

As a result Britain would be

month or so of fighting, but Under present

able to make a valuable contri-

bution to Nato during the first

probably not for much longer.

The common assumption is that

the weight of firepower which

could now be brought to bear,

together with the threat, real or

implied, of escalation to a

nuclear exchange, dictates that the next war would be over in a

Juliana has been on the throne.

But it has come through un-

scathed and popular, and Queen

Juliana has been receiving

tributes from many different

sectors of Dutch life since her

announcement on Thursday that

she would abdicate on April 30.

The position of the Dutch

monarch is broadly similar to that of the British, in that he or

she is responsible for asking the

most suitable person to form a

new government. But the Dutch

political system, which requires the formation of coalition gov-

ernments, often after months of negotiations, makes more

demands on the monarch in the

normal course of events; and Queen Juliana is widely felt to

bave carried out her responsibili-

ties with skill and propriety. She

has been praised, for example,

for her role in the long crisis

which followed the 1977 election.

when she took the view that the

Socialists should be part of a new

coalition because of the gains

they had made, even though it

mother, Queen Wilhelmina, when

she abdicated in 1948. She did

Queen Juliana succeeded her

eventually proved impossible.

Such assumptions have been

very short time.

is simply no provision for it.

remain too small. Their reserves

Denning's

claimed.

and the other a

putes does, of course, follow the enisting law on the subject, though the Law Lords may well have decided on the facts of this case that this dispute remained industrial despite its extension and despite Mr Sirs's illconsidered letter. There is a real difficulty in distinguishing between industrial and political pressure when the Covernment is the employer in a dispute. It would, however, he regrettable if the Lords prought pure political strikes for the first time under the cover of immunity. Uncertainty is still likely to surround the question whether the law sanctions secondary action wherever the striker genuinely believes it is in furtherance of his cause, or only where there are some objective grounds for his helief. In the McShane case the Law Lords did not agree on that. The need for legislation is shown both by the uncertain and the unsatisfactory nature of the law; and what is certain is not what is satisfactory.

The broad merits of the case were quite clear. The steel union called out its members in private employment not because of any dispute the union or its members had with the private employers, but because the supply of privately-made steel was undermining the effects of the strike in the public sector. The private employees were unwilling to strike, which is not to be wondered at when the union provides no strike pay, and wate increases in the public sector

reason to think ourselves more

prescient than previous genera-

tions. Indeed, even if this

assumption proved to be correct,

the outbreak of war in Europe

would still leave Britain with a

lot of catching up to do. And

outside Aesop, the tortoise does

not always enjoy a happy end-

ing. The argument in favour of

Mr Fraser's proposal is that by

being compulsory it would be comprehensive. If the Govern-

ment did suddenly find them-

selves in need of additional man-

power, either to fill out the armed forces or to help the

emergency services at home, they

would at least know where to

One argument against, however, is that a list of names and

addresses of untrained, un-

equipped young men, however

able and willing, would be of

little use unless one had the

machinery to mobilize them and

to capitalize upon their skills.

machinery would not be in place.

All the service training establish-

ments would, for instance, be

run down on the outbreak of

war; their staffs would be needed in the front line.

Fraser's proposal is that compul-

more trouble than it would be

Royal Family. She sent Princess

Beatrix, who will succeed her in April, to a local high school and, like other Dutch people, the

members of the family were

much seen on bicycles. There

was a difficult period in the

1950s when Queen Juliana, much

upset by the near blindness of

her youngest daughter, came

under the influence of Miss

Greet Hofmans, a faith healer

with pacifist beliefs, and was much criticized for it. But that crisis passed with the help of

Then there was the other, more

serious crisis in 1976 when Prince Bernhard himself was

found to have been "open to

dishonourable requests and offers" by an official Durch inquiry investigating the Lockheed

bribery scandal. It was thought

that Queen Juliana might feel

obliged to abdicate, even though

there was no suggestion of her

being in any way involved. But the scandal died down after

Prince Bernhard had resigned

from a number of official func-

tions, including Inspector-Gen-

eral of the Dutch armed forces,

and today the incident is no

notoriously wrong in the past worth. However minimal it might forces are modelled.

A FIRM, PERHAPS LEFTISH, QUEEN TO BE

Prince Bernhard.

The House of Orange has had not have her mother's iron its fair share of controversy in dignity, but introduced a the thirty-one years that Queen simpler style into the life of the

sory registration might cause

Another argument against Mr

plans such

find it.

however, and we have little seem, one can imagine the howl

A VOLUNTARY REGISTER WOULD BE BETTER

would be of no direct benefit to them. Their feelings have probably not changed, but, with the threat of further pickets, they will very probably feel obliged to stop work again. No body of workers should be brought out on strike without being given a chance to reject the strike plan in a ballot.

Among workers in the public sector, the legal battle and victory will probably strengthen morale and sense of rectitude (ulready high) in a dispute which is exacting heavy costs from them, and seems set for a long haul yet. The private employers now have no means of redress for the losses they are suffering because of a dispute that they are not parties to. It is wrong that they should not: the House of Lords may be correct in its interpretation of the law, as applied to the facts of this case, but its judgment does not in the broad sense achieve We are sometimes told by

scholarly lawyers that Magna Carta has no longer any force in British courts; that it is not binding, The private steel employers will have had that scholarly point brought home to them in the most vivid way. "To no one will we sell, deny or delay rights or justice." When it comes to trade union law the House of Lords holds, repeatedly and perhaps correctly, that no rights or justice exist under British statutes.

of protest in Parliament, among

the unions, in the universities.

The British object even to census

returns and would assuredly

complain about any more regu-

encourage the voluntary registra-tion of those who would be will-

ing to place their particular skills

at the service of the country

should the need arise. This could include not only those who

would enlist in the armed forces

but also those who would help

swell the emergency services at home. We would in effect create

a reserve of reserves who would

move into the places vacated by

the existing reserves after mobili-

zation and could be quickly.

trained to make up the next

echelon. One-day courses could

be organized to explain to them

in advance what might be expec-

ted of them, and where they

Britain. Compulsory registration

might run the risk of eroding

this. Voluntary registration would capitalize upon it. A

manageable list of enthusiastic,

skilled volunteers would be more

valuable than an unwieldy regis-

ter of reluctant conscripts. It is

after all the same principle of

quality as opposed to quantity

on which our regular armed

longer held against the Royal

Princess Beatrix is known for

having strong opinions of her

own, and is expected to see her

role as a more forceful one than her mather chose. She provoked

a controversy of her own when

she became engaged to Prince

Claus van Amsberg, then a German citizen. The objection was

simply that he was German, and

it provoked a tense atmosphere

at their wedding in Amsterdam in 1966, when 8.000 troops and police were brought in to line

the route, protests were made by

local Jewish leaders, and smoke

hombs were thrown by protest-

ers. But on that occasion, too, the storm passed and Prince

Claus has been fully accented by

the Dutch: indeed be has made

an excellent contribution to

Durch life. Today the republican

tondencies which emerged in the

1960s have died down. Princess

Beatrix will be becoming Oueen

at a time when the House of

Orange is widely accepted in The

Netherlands, and when she her-

self, whatever apprehensions

may be felt about her forceful

character and her supposedly

Jeft-wing views, will be given a

Family by most Dutch people.

There is plenty of good will in

should report.

A preferable idea would be to

lar, more significant scrutiny.

If this report is really saying that there is more unsound teaching now than there used to be, and that maths is suffering in these bad classrooms along with other sub-jects, it may well be right. In a profession that pays peanuts there are bound to be some monkeys. Yours faithfully,

RICHARD WELCH, Headmaster, Sr Andrew's C of E Primary School,

Chionor, Oxford. January 31.

#### The road to Belgrade

From the Editor of The Observer Sir, Bernard Levin misrepresents me (January 23). I did not say that Soviet intervention in Yugoslavia was "unlikely". On the contrary I said: "That's the big danger—an infinitely bigger danger, even, than the invasion of Afghanistan, especially for European and Ameri-

I pointed to the obvious fact that the Soviet Union does not share a common border with Yugoslavia and that in order to invade Yugosiavia it would need to move troops through Hungary (where it has six divisions) or Romania (where it has none). I expressed " the hope more) that the attitude of the Romanians and Hungarians to such use of their territory would make the invasion of Yugoslavia more difficult for the Russians than the invasion of Afghanistan.

Mr Levin evidently believes that this hope is a forlorn or even foolish one; and given the ruthlessness of the Ryssians in Hungary in 1956, in Czechoslovakia in 1968, and now in Afghanistan, he may be right. But it is "by no means certain", as I put it on the radio, the the Hungarian and Romanian reaction could be predicted or ignored.

President Ceausescu has always refused Soviet troops access to Romania, even on manoeuvres or in transit to Bulgarla; and his most recent speech suggests that this resolve has herdched since Afghanistan. The Bungarian Government's response would depend on the circumstances; it would be reluctant to assist the invasion of a fraternal state, but obviously could not stop the Russlans if they were deter-

mined. There must be some doubt, though, whether the Hungarian army, which is now a national force, would cooperate in the use of its land and facilities to quash the only type of Communism that offers Hungarians any hope. Even in 1956, the Hungarian Defence Minister, General Maleter, one of the most reliable figures in the Warsaw Pact, turned his tanks against the Russian invaders. Hungarians should never be taken for granted. Yours faithfully.

DONALD TRELFORD. The Observer, 8 St Andrews Hill, EC4. January 23.

#### Common law wives

From Mr I. Gwynn Jones Sir, In The Times, January 29, Trevor Fishlock mentions that your directions to your colleagues outlaws the use of the term "com-mon law wife". Probation officers in their reports to courts find the term particularly useful when referring to non-statutory partnerships between a man and a woman, and some years ago this incurred the wrath of a distinguished circuit

judge. I was asked to advise my col-leagues that the term "common law wife" was applicable in only three circumstances, namely, a couple who were married at sea by a shio's captain; a couple married by dissenting ministers prior to 1953; and those married in a British

consulate. (Being married in a British Embassy does not apply.) Any acceptable alternatives would be appreciated, but not "mistress" or "spouse" please! Yours faithfully, I. GWYNN JONES. Chief Probation Officer, Gwent Probation and After-Care Service,

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9 Gold Tops,

January 31,

Newport,

Gwent

to know how often in say, the past 50 years Somerville College has officially visited its founder's grave

#### Amendment to the abortion law

From Conon G. B Bentley Sir, Dom Gregory Dix used to say that if, in an argument, someone started talking about the Holy Spirit, it was time to put your watch safely in an inside pocket. I think similar precautions need to be taken when the Bishop of Durham (letter, January 20) introduces the notion of "personhood" into the discussion of abortion.

Such obscurities aside, what are the facts? At conception a new, generically complete centre of life comes into existence. To what species does it belong? Homo apiens, surely. Therefore to destroy it is to deatroy a human life.

We cannot escape that conclusion by magnifying the significance of birth, for there is patently no dis-continuity between a life in the womb and the same life after birth has changed its environment.

There is therefore no essential difference between the ancient practice of exposing an unwanted child and rite modern practice of killing him before birth. In either case a unique human existence is effectively terminated.

If then the law ought to protect human beings from others who find their existence inconvenient, it must protect them before birth no less than after: for protection after cannot benefit those who are killed before. Where deliberate killing is concerned, a "code of practice" is not enough Yours faithfully,

G. B. BENTLEY, The Cloisters, Windsor Castle, Berkshire. Јапиалу 30,

From Dr Bryan Thwaites Sir. There must be thousands, maybe millions, of ordinary people like myself who, having spent a lifetime doing their bust to learn and practise the Anglican faith, find all too little guidance from their priests and in particular from their Church's biererchy on fundamental issues.

Today's letter from the Bishop of Durham is a textbook example of how chief prelates nowadays leave their flock suspended in mid-air without any means of support. Allow me, Sir, to take just two or three of his many incomprehensible paints.

He first declares with utmost confidence that "all Christians... see (abortion) in terms of a difficult choice between evils". To begin with, this is a patently false assertion. Next it totally disregards the fact that evil comes in different forms which may be incommensurable.

And he then implies without any argument that his (spurious) choice is essentially difficult—in a later paragraph it has essalated to being "agonizingly difficult" in the con-text of his condemnation of "shrill certainties" — whereas it may be equally essentially easy.

Later he reminds us with apparent satisfaction that a C of E working party in the 1960s "refused to define the status of the fertilized ovum". If the Roman Catholic Church, not to mention other religions, can make this definition for the help and guldance of their acherents, why is our Anglican Church so unsure of itself? Is Protestancism now simply reduced to subjectivism?

As for the Bishop's last two paragraphs, they are completely secular in content—they could refer to nimost any aspect of society's activities from watching football matches through share dealing to housebreaking — and have no spiritual, religious or theological content whatsoever: and yet they represent, presumably, the learned

clusively criminal punishments (Foundations of Criminal Legisla-rion of the USSR and Union Republics, article 21) and the 1977

Republics, article 21) and the 1977
new Soviet Constitution proclaims
that: "No one can be . . . subjected
to criminal punishment other than
by the verdict of a court and in
accordance with law". (article 160).
It should be pretty obvious from
the above that by banishing
Academician Sakharov the Soviet Academician Sakharov the Soviet authorities grossly violated not only the ordinary Soviet law but also the Constitution of the USSR, the same basic law of their country of which they so much boast and which they try so hard to use in their counterpropaganda efforts concerned with the presentation of the state of human rights in the Soviet Union.

Yours faithfully, Crescent House. The University, Salford. Lancashire.

#### A grave in Naples From Mr R. L. D. Jasper

Sir, I have seen Miss Morron's letter in your issue of today (January 31) about the Old Protestant Cemetery at Naples. I cannot comment on recent events at Naples. But there are two

points which, as a retired officer once responsible for this question, I think that I can properly make First, before and during my time

at Naples, and I imagine subsequently, attempts were made to get into touch with the families of those buried in the Old Cemetery, to try to raise an adequate fund for maintenance. The attempt made in my time evoked virtually no response We could not be expected to spot

all connexions, and it may be that the Somerville connexion was not noticed. But a substantial number of organizations and eminent fami-lies interested in the-often architectually important-tombs of the early nineteenth century were written to. It was explained that at that time minimum maintenance was provided by what amounted to a small levy on current burials in the New Cemetery, that no other funds were available, and that meanwhile the Old Cemetery was slowly declin-

ing into ruin. Secondly, it would be interesting

# cleric's final conclusions on the CONCERT platform

matter. To plagiarize the title of a brilliant lecture I recently heard : what are the rightcous doing?"

Yours faithfully. BRYAN THWAITES, Milnthorpe, January 30.

From Dr Colin Brewer Sir, The Bishop of Durham's letter (January 30) goes to the very heart of the endless abortion debate. In questioning whether "human life" egins at conception, he makes a point which I have been trying to make in a different way by drawing attention to the fact fast the intrauterine "contraceptive" device the IUD or roll) actually works giter conception by destroying the

therefore a pre-emptive abortifa-cient and the half million British IUD users probably abort more foctuses each year than the total number of registered abortions since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act.
The IUD represents abortion on demand and as such it should surely

foctus at a very early stage. It is

he as vigorously opposed by anti-ahortionists as abortion a little later in pregnancy. Alternatively, if they can accept abortion by the IUD, they must explain on what medical, moral or theological grounds they distinguish between the acceptable destruction of a three-day-old foerus and the unacceptable destruction of a threeweek-old one. Indeed, unless those who would

restrict or prohibit abortion insist on the same restrictions for the ND, on the grounds that a foctus is just a small baby, then it means that they have effectively snapped arguing about the morality of abortion and are simply concerned, as I am, that it should be done as early as possible. And with existing techniques, an unwelcome preg-nancy can be detected and terminated within two weeks of conception. Would not this be a more generally acceptable approach to the problem of abortion than that enshrined in Mr Corrie's Bill? Yours, etc.

COLIN BREWER. 14a Abercorn Place, NW8. January 30.

From Mr W. W. Hamilton, MP for Fife Central (Lahour) Sir. Mr Corrie either doesn't understand his own Abortion (Amendment) Bill, or else he is trying to conceel its intent.

His letter of January 30 implies that the criteria for obtaining an abortion remain as they were in the

original 1967 Act.

But his most important amendments are Mr Corrie's insertion of the words "serious" and "substanwhen referring to the injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman and to the risk of aborting, against continuing with the pregnancy.

These vague words are deliber-

ately inserted to create doubt, uncertainty, and fear of prosecution, in the minds of doctors. The words are there despite the views of the authoritative Lane Committee that no such uncertainty should be

created.

At virtually every critical point, the Corrie Bill flies in the face of all reputable medical opinion, and against the known views of the government departments principally

concerned.

It will be a bad day for Parliament, and for women, if the Bill ever reaches the Statute Book. Yours sincerely, W. W. HAMILTON, House of Commons.

January 31.

#### Panishing Dr Sakharov From Dr Alexander Shtromas

Sir, As a Soviet lawyer and legal scientist and as a citizen of the USSR resident in this country, I should like to draw your attention to the fact that Michael Binyon's statement in mday's (January 25) issue of your newspaper, saying that Dr Sakharov's banishment "is not lilegal, as it was carried out under long-eranding administrative regulations", is incorrect.

In the whole corps of published Soviet law now in force, such administrative regulations do not exist. If, however, such regulations could be found in the multitude of secret Soviet statutes (and no one without a special permit for access to Soviet state secrets can be sure whether it could or could not be), these regulations should be anyway considered as illegal and uncon-scintional by Soviet legal standards themselves For, according to Soviet law, banishment and exile are ex-

or made offers to maintain it. If it has done both I must, of course,

apologize. Yours faithfully, ROBIN JASPER, Russell Hotel, Warrior Square, St Leonard's, Sussex. January 31.

#### The rivals From Mr Ronald Mason

Sir, "Pipped" by Capital Radio (report January 31)? Not quite A nationally networked BBC Festival of plays by Shaw has been in preparation for some time. It will in-clude two of the plays which you say have been acquired by one of London's commercial radio stations.

The BBC Festival will consist of a dozen full length plays, several drawn from our archive of productions of the Shaw canon. The casts include many of Britain's leading artists. This is only a part of more than a thousand hours of radio drama we have planned for this vear.

I will take the production of Major Barbara into rehearsal in three weeks' time. Yours faithfully, RONALD MASON, Head of Drama, Radio, BBC,

Broadcasting House, W1.

January 31.

# Union troubles on

From Mr David Atherton and

Sir. Although music, and particularly chamber music, is thought to be a liberal art and a field of free enterprise, a number of incidents have been reported during the last two months (in your own columns and elsewhere) where the Musicians' Union has found it necessary to intervene and prevent concerts broadcasts and recordings from taking place as planned. (Groups and individuals involved include, for example, George Malcolm and the Academy of Ancient Music, together with the Decca and Phonogram recording companies.)
The resulting distress of public,

sponsors and players sugge to that not all these applications of ru's XIV, para 8 ("No member shall undertake an engagement to alay with or in the same establishment as or engage a musician who is not a member...") are beneficial or even logical. A recent directive from Mr John Morton, general secretary of the union, has admitted three exceptions on "a rather slender constitutional basis", namely orchestral conductors, soloists with orchestras and ' types of performance with besta

A cursory glance through London concert plans announced for 1980 tracted engagements, many of them chamber music, which cannot go ahead if rule XIV's were to be strictly applied. Several of our leading ensembles, solvists and accompanists who are not members have for years assumed, apparently in error, that to perform with union members in small groups (ponets is the traditionally quoted maximum)

was permissible.
Several distinguished foreign visitors have habitually flouted this ruling in well publicized London concerts, and both the English musicians and the English public appear eager that they should con-tinue to give such performances (it would be sad never to hear the Amadeus give another performance of the "Trout" Quinter with an English bass-player, and a loss to English wind players never to combine with Barenboim for the Mozart plano and wind quintett.
Historically speaking, conductors

re a recent invention. Music of the eighteenth century and earlier was traditionally directed from the harpsichord or the violin, and recent revivals of "authentic" performance have proved the validity of this practice.

It would seem illogical of the union, therefore, not to extend to this form of direction the immunity it offers to the ninetcenth and twentieth-century style of director. It would seem doubly illogical when a distinguished soloist is permitted to perform and direct a Mozart concerto, but must needs be replaced by a union player when he would attempt to direct a Mozart symphony in the same way. Yet that is how the rule would have it.

Since it would obviously be unjust to encourage a selective application of these union restrictions, we would like to emphasize the obvious need of a body representing the feelings of performers involved in "authentic" and chamber music to be available to advise the union on the detrimental effect that zealous will have on these flourishing areas of English musical life.

It would be regretted by the undersigned if over-enthusiastic collectivist thinking were to lose Britain the undoubted lead she has in these fields and reduce what should be a liberal art to a deprived industry.

A suggestion of a conference to discuss the problem, and/or the recognition of a body to monitor the effects of union rules on the art should be construed, therefore, not as anti-union, but simply as pro-

music. Yours faithfully, DAVID ATHERTON, PATRICK CORMACK, MP. HAREWOOD. CHRISTOPHER HOGWOOD, GEORGE MALCOLM. NEVILLE MARRINER SIMON PRESTON ANTHONY ROOLEY, 2 Claremont, Hills Road,

#### Wasted advertising From Mr N. E. Hampel

Cambridge.

Sir. For many years I have been amazed at the countless thousands of pounds spent on advertising by the nationalized industries marketand electricity and to some errent coal, telephones, postal services, railways, etc. What a feruous warre of our money, as frequently the customer has no choice, and if he has, the services are often unable to meet the resultant increased

We are now told that was prices must increase drematically to cut back sales and conserve supplies. Can we not save a great deal of public money by cutting out all marketing activity throughout nat-ionalized industries where a monopoly obtains? Yours faithfully, N. E. HAMPEL

Two Oaks,
Slade Oak Lane,
Denham, Buckinghamshire.

#### The price of gas From Chester Herald of Arms

Sir, I cannot understand what is wrong with graduated charges for gas and electricity. Such a system works in the case of income tax and would surely provide the necrssary deterrent against wasting firel; the more you use the higher would become the tariff.

It is all very well to say that the needy will be reimbresed, but who pays the army of officials required to deal with all the claims, and why should the old and the sick he obliged to struggle through winter weather to queue and argue in dicmai government offices? Yours truly. HUBERT CHESSHYRE,

College of Arms. Queen Victoria Street, London, EC4.

#### Afghanistan invasion

From Mr Ivan Krushelnycky Sir, Since the latest Soviet act of aggression, this time against Afghanistan, various suggestions how to deal with the Russians have been put forward in the columns of your newspaper. May I, a former Soviet subject, be permitted to express thoughts which, I am sure. are shared by millions of people inside the Soviet Union?

Most of the recently publicized western measures against the USSR are welcome, but only time will tell how determined western leaders and peoples will be in applying them. Past experience does not cheer ôde up.

There is a weapon, however, about which responsible people in the West, information media included, maintain silence but which the Russian rulers fear more than all the western nuclear arsenals put together. This mighty weapon is the nents inside the Russian empire.

uents inside the Russian empire.

like the Anti-Bolshevik block of movements of the non-Russian

peoples inside the Soviet Union, the last large colonial empire.

Now is the highest time for the West, instead of helping the Russians proper to preserve their empire for various immoral reasons, to help the tens of peoples inside that empire—the 50 million Ukrainians first of all—to regain their freedom and independent statebood and thus reduce the presentday powerful empire, which is a constant threat to the West, to several states which would not be a threat to others now and for centuries to come. The declared future frontiers of freedom must not extend to Moscow's satellite states only!

The West should turn the openly pursued Russian policy of recognizing and arming pseudo-National Marxist movements in countries outside the Soviet Union against the Russians themselves by supporting the representative bodies of the genuine national liberation movenents inside the Russian empire.

For much too long the West bas not shown any initiative in matters concerning liberty of man and of peoples inside the Soviet Union allowing the Russians a free hand for subversion in all corners of the

Yours faithfully, IVAN KRUSHELNYCKY, 38 South View Avenue, Caversham, Reading. January 11.

genuine welcome.

Breezy informality?

From Mr Simon Cave Sir, I wonder if other visitors to Brussels mis week have seen the appropriate new sign at the air terminal pointing to the coiffeur/ airdresser? Yours, etc.

SIMON CAVE. 3 Model Cottages. East Sheen, SW14. January 31.

nal whether male or female-

has suffered from some unre-

solved deficit in the relation-



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 1: The Prince of Wales, attended by Mr Oliver Everett, this morning visited the headquarters of the General and Municipal Workers Union at Thorne House, Esher, Surrey.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron of the Institute of patron or the institute of Marketing, will attend a luncheon in aid of the college development appeal at the Carlton Tower hotel on February 19. The President of the French Republic is 54 today.

#### Birthdays today

The Most Rev Dr S. Y. Blanch, 62: Major General R. H. Farrant. 71: Mr Jascha Heifetz, 79; Sir Fran Jenkins, 84; Dame Alix Meynell, 77; the Right Rev Dr J. H. L. Phillips, 70; Lord Reigate, 75; Sir Alfred White,

TOMORROW: Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, 59: Lord Gore-Booth, 71: Sir Edgar Keatinge, 75: Sir Hugh Linstead, 79: Brigadier the Hon Dame Mary Phil. 64: Lord Redcliffe-Maud, 74: Professor Sir Alexander Robertson, 72: Lord Sherfield, 76.

#### St Christopher's, Burnham-on-Sea

To celebrate the golden jubilee this year a reunion for past pupils and members of staff of St Chrisand members of staff of St Christopher's, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset. Girls' Preparatory School (Educational Trust), founded 1930. will be held on Saturday, June 7, at the school. Invitations are being sent to all whose addresses the school holds. Others wishing to attend should apply to the headmistress or to Miss Edith and Miss Pat Watson, 9 The Lerburne, Wedmore, Somerset.

#### Latest wills

#### £818 estate left by High Court judge

Sir Geoffrey Hugh Benbow Streat-felld, of Cheddon Fitzpaine, Taun-ton, Somerset, who sat as Mr Jus-nce Streatfelld in the High Court from 1947-66, left £818 net. Mrs Mildred Serona Barnes, of Knutsford, Cheshire, left £274,184

net. After personal bequests she left the residue equally between the National Children's Home, Impenal Cancer Research Fund. British Red Cross Society, Knuts-ford, National Trust, RNLI and the Egerton Boys' Club, Knutsford, Other estates include thet, before tax paid ; tax not disclosed) : Carter, Mr Raynard William Col-Hingborn. of Wantage . £195,880 Hicks, Mr Thomas Geoffrey, of Farnham, Surrey . £149,611 Jacob. Mr Harold, of Caversham, Reading . £155,275 O'Connor. Mr Fintan Michael, of Waylard Republic of Irchael, of Waylard Republic of Irchael, of

Wexford, Republic of Ireland, soli-Preston ... £249,470 Stoop, Mrs Enid Mair, of Hindhead. Surrey . . . £173.270 Clifford, Mr Stanley, of Gerrards Cross, Bucklogbamsbire £493,901

Today's engagements

xhibitions: Jan McKeever draw-ing workshop. Arnofini Gallery, Narrow Quay, Bristoi, 2.30-4.30; Paindags: Else Usher and Victor Cumming, Broomfield Museum, Broomfield Park, 10-5; Christopher Whall, William Morris Gallery 10-5; Christopher Whall, William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Rosd, 10-5; Bygone Bristol, 35 King Street, Bristol, 11-8; From Hollar to Heindeloff, V and A Museum, Cromwell Road, 10-5-50; The Irish inheritance, Crafts Council Gallery, 12 Waterloo Place, 10-5.

10-5.
Lectures: Rembrandt's world.
Aubrey Tyndall. National
Gallery, Trafalgar Square, 12:
Abstraction towards a new art.
Laurance Bradbury, Tate UFOs
and apparitions, Richard Phil-

on oil and gas installations have a higher death rate than any other occupational group, higher by far than miners or deep-sea fishermed.

On average six divers die each year out from a work force of fewer than 1,000. Some of that high mortality is due to the inescapable dangers of the job; but half of the deaths are partly or completely unexplained.

Research in the North Sea by doctors from the London Hospital Medical College has produced convincing evidence that some of the unexplained deaths may have been due to hypothermia.

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The North Sea is unpleasantly cold all the year round (below 10°C at the depths at which divers work) and divers' bodies may easily become cooled to dangerous

easily become cooled to dangerous levels. The first effect of cooling is mental confusion, but as the

Services tomorrow:

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ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC. 8; M
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Jub; Britten in C. HC, 11,30. Rubbra
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hills. Mendelssoin (Elijah). E and S,
3 15 Rev John B. Gaskell. May and
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the Lord, my soul 185 Wesley).
WESTMINSTER ABBEY; HC. R: M.
10 30 Britten in C. Trach me. O.
Lord 'Altwood'. The sub-Dean. HC.
11,40. E. 5. Blair in B minor. Blessmg. glory and wisdom Gottified Wagner. The precentar. Organ rectial, 6.5.
SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC. 9.
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Rev A. Henderson. E. 30. Friend in
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(Haydr. Conan Penwarden. CHAPEL HOYAL ST JAMES'S PALACE: HC, B 30 HC, 11.15, Math-has Missa bretis Canon Llayd Rees, THE QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (Pubbic welcomed): Sung Euch-arist, 11.15 Scinford in C. Deen of

arist, 11.15 Stantore in C. Windsor, INOVAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich public welcomed HG. 8 30. Parish communion, 11 Rev D.

8 30. Parish communion. 11 Rev D. Evans. CHAPEL. Wellington Barracks HC. 8. M. 11. Rev J. 5. Westmuckt, HC. noon. CHAPEL (public welcomed): HC 8 30. CHAPEL (public inticol. No. 11 No.

ton
TEMPLE CHURCH, Firet Street public welcomed: HC, 8-30 MP, 11.15,
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The Master.

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The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of the late Mr J. H. Ellis, CMG, and of Mrs Ellis, of Crickhowell. Powys, and Veronica, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. W. R. Hole, of Grappenhall, Charling. Lieutenant W. R. Hockin, RN

and Miss D. M. von Barth

Forthcoming

Dr A. R. M. Townsend and Miss E. E. Bannister

Mr D. H. N. Ellis and Miss V. M. R. Hole

The engagement is announced between Alain Townsend, of Peter-

sham Place, SW7, son of Mr and Mrs J. R. C. Townsend, and Erin, daughter of Sir Roger and Lady

Bannister, of Edwardes Square,

marriages

The engagement is announced between William Richard, son of Mr Peter Hockin, of Bristol and Was Cottage, Hockin, of Cross Ways Cottage, How Capel, Here-fordshire, and Diana Marguerite, fifth daughter of Baron and Baroness von Barth, of Hom Lodge, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire. Mrs Elizabeth Hockin, of Cross

Mr J. G. Ireland Mr J. G. Ireland and Miss F. S. Anderson The engagement is announced between Julian Gerrard, youngerson of the late Dr H. W. Ireland and Mrs E. Woodman, of Melbourne, Australia, and Fiona Sheila, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R. I. Anderson, Bush Rouse, Sheringham, Norfolk.

Mr M. A. Scarlett
and Miss S. V. Clifford
The engagement is adnounced
between Marcus, elder son of Mr
and Mrs A. R. Scarlett, of Bury
St Edmunds, Suffolk, and Sheila,
daughter of Mr and Mrs John
Clifford, of Felixstowe, Suffolk.

The English Chamber Orchestra announced yescerday that they had called off a tour of Russia because of the Kremlin's policies in Afghanistan and their treatment of Jews and dissidents.

Mr Quintin Ballardie, the director of the orchestra, said: "We felt increasingly strongly that this tour was not for us."

He said he had taken the decision to cancel the tour by Britain's foremost chamber orchestra after consultation with the Foreign Office and the British Council, which is responsible for many cultural tours abroad. The orthestra were to have visited Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad for 10 days, beginning on March 13.

Mr Ballardie said the "unfortunate happenings" in Afghanistan and Russia's treatment of Jews were the background to the cancellation. Six of the 38-strong orchestra are Jewish.

But the "lass straw" was the exile of the dissident, Dr Andrei Sakharov, he said. Mr G. A. Thorp and Miss J. S. Fraser and Miss J. S. Fraser
The engagement is announced between Graham, younger son of the late Rev Ronald Karl Thorp and of Mrs Elleen Thorp, of Bloxham, Oxfordshire, and Jane, eldest daughter of the Rev James and Mrs Fraser, of Putney.

#### Marriage

Mr P. D. de Renzy-Martin and Miss M. H. Dow
The marriage took place in Kensington on January 11 between Mr Philippe de Renzy-Martin, son of Dr and Mrs David de Renzy-Martin, of Groombridge, Sussex, and Miss Melanie Helen Dow, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Dow, of St Boswells, Scotland.

#### Luncheon

RM Coverament The Hon Nicholas Ridley, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held yesterday in honour of Mr Norman Saunders, Leader of the Opposition, Turks and Caicos Islands, at 1 Carlton Gardens.

#### Service dinner

7th RHA and Airborne Artillery The annual reunion dinner of 7th Regiment Royal Horse Artillery and Airborne Artillery officers was held at the Royal Artillery Mess, Woolwich, last night. Lieutemant-Colonei G. G. Arnold, RHA, presided. Major-General T. S. C. Streatfeld was among those present.

The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs and the Secretary of State for the Home Department Mr William Whitelaw were guests of the Honourable Artillery Company mess club at dinner at Armouty House yesterday. Colonel E. Grey-Turner, president of the club, presided and the other speakers were Squadron. the other speakers were Squadron Leader D. F. Dunstan, the Lord Mayor, Colonel G. E. Gilchrist and Mr Whitelaw.

lips, BUPORA lecture, Kensington central library, Campden . Hill Road entrance, 7.

Hill Road entrance, 7.

Wembley winter brass band festival, Conference Centre, Wembley.

Concert: Young Doncaster musicians, Priory Place Methodist church, Doncaster, 7.30.

Crafts and antiques fair, Horseshoe Hotel, Tottenham Court Road, 10.30-4.

Dog show: Wembley and district Canine Society open show, Hanwell community centre, Westcott Avenue, 10.

Walks: Discovering London:

Valks: Discovering London: Covern Garden, meet Embank-ment station, 2.

Tomorrow

Exhibitions: Captain Cook in the South Seas, Museum of Man-

Science report

Hypothermia: Tests on deep sea divers

North Sea divers are usually kept warm by having hot water pumped through their suits from a source

on the surface, with the rate regu-lated by whether the diver feels hot or cold. The assumption has been that that system would pre-

rent hypothermia.

The research has shown that divers' body temperatures may fall in dangerous levels during long dives despite the warming system. Eight divers rook part in the experiments, which were conducted in a diving bell over 100m below the surface of the sea. The divers left the bell for varying periods to do roughe work and their temperatures were measured on their return.

Three of the eight divers showed substantial drops in temperature,

don and South-east Region Air Training Corps. Rev J. Morris. 11. HC. 12.16. Septimagesima, H i climb up hus beaven (Campboll). CHAPEL ROVAL, HAMPION COURT PALACE (public welcomed): HC. 8.50. Sing Eucharist, 11. Wood is the Phrystopia of the Phrys

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: 11, Song Eucharist and confirmation 11. The Bishop of London, August Street LM, 8, 8, 16, 14M, 11, Lord Bishop of Salishury, Codicquim regale (Daris), Solemn evenous, 6, The vicar, Noble in A minut.

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PRIORY (AD) 11231 HC. 9: Sons Eucharist, 11. E. 6.30. Recital. The rectur.

ST BRIDES, FLEET STREET: HC. 8.50: Choral matins and Eucharist 11: Rev W Bouldon, Paris 1 and 2 Haydr's Creation, 6.30.

ST GEORGE'S, HANOVER SQUARS: HC. 8.15: Sung Eucharist, 11. Darke in E. A. O God that no time dost despise (Poorson: The rector. ST JAMES'S, Plocadilly: HC. 8.15: Eucharist, 9.15. Rev J. L. W. Robinson Sung Eucharist, 11. Darke in E) Rev W. P. Baddeley, E. 6.30. Rev J. L. W. Robinson ST JAMES'S, Plocadilly: HC. 8.15: Eucharist, 9.15. Rev J. L. W. Robinson ST MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER; Sung Eucharist, 11. Bishop Knapp Figher. Choral evensong & The rector. ST MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER; Sung Eucharist, 11. Bishop Knapp Figher. Choral evensong & The rector. ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: Family communiton. 9.45. Rev C. Walker. Morning service, 11.15. N. Ingramsmith. Choral evensong & 16. E. 6.30. Rev C. Hodiey.

ST MARY ABBOTS. Kensington: HC. R and 12.30: Sung Eucharist, 9.26, MI 15 E. 6.30.

ST MARY ABBOTS. Kensington: HC. R and 12.30: Sung Eucharist, 9.26, Mary'S, Bourne Street: LM, R, 9.45. T. NM. 11. Rev K. Woolkombe. Mass in A milpor (Casciolini) Sicut cruus 'Palestring's Ventice comedite 'Byrd' E and Solemn benediction, 6.15.

ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH: HC. R and 11. Per C. K. Haimel HC. R and 11. Per C. K. Haimel

MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH: 8 and 11: Rev G. K. Hamel

By Our Medical Correspondent body temperature fails further, Divers working in the North Sea consciousness will be lost and on oil and gas installations have a higher death rate than any other Because the water is so cold,

# The unresolved ethical problems of homosexuality

For church and society alike, the second half of the twentieth century has seen an unprecedented growth of interest in the homosexual issue. The Wolfenden Report of 1957, and ship with the parent of the the implementation of its same sex. This may be due to adults in private are not-with some exceptions—subject to legal penalties in England and Wales. The underlying ethical studies during the past year. These are worthy productions, but they do not avoid the current tendency to focus the debate on the status of homo-sexual acts: are these to be accepted or condemned? Traditionally, the churches have drawn a distinction between the bomosexual condition and homosexual acts, and only the latter have been condemned. It may therefore be helpful to reconsider the former.

**English Chamber** 

Orchestra calls

off Russian tour

Royal Society of Medicine award

Keception

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The 1980 gold medal of the Royal Society of Medicine, awarded triennially for contributious to the progress of the art and science of medicine, preventive medicine or surgery, has gone to Sir Derrick Dunlop, Professor Emeritus of Therapeutics and Clinical Medicine, Edinburgh University, and first chairman of rise Committee on the Safety of Drugs, and of the Medicines Commission.

On this occasion the award has been linked by the council of the society with the liftleth anniversary of the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry.

Sheriff of Oxford

The Sheriff of Oxford was host at a reception held vesterday for Dr Billy Graham at the town hall, Oxford. Those present included:

The Bishop of Oxford and Mrs Rodger, the Archdeacon of Oxford and Mrs Witton-Davies, the Provots of The Ouen's College and Lady Blake, the Principal of Manafield College and Mrs Spher, Lady Whene, Sir Alister Hardy, Cunon S. M. B. Green and the Rev K. Wesson.

kind, Burlington Gardens, 2.30-6; Sèvres, Queen's Gallery, Buckingham Palace Road, 2-5.

Ceremony of the clowns, Holy Trinity Church, Dalston, 4.

Antiques Fair: Kensington Hilton Hotel, Holland Park Avenue, 11-6.

Discovering a ship: HMS Leander

and one (the thinnest) developed

true hypothermia, with a temperature of only 34.7°C

What is needed, the research group says, is a hearing system designed to keep the skin temperature uniform automatically. A control system could be fitted to the outside of the suit which would monitor the temperature of the water in contact with the diver's skin and accordingly equilate the

skin, and accordingly regulate the amount of heat supplied.

Source: British Medical Journal February 2 page 291.

Cocke. Marianellermense (Haydn.) How lovely are they dwellings fair (Brahms) E. 6.30. Rev D. Knickerbocker. ST MICHASL'S. Caceter Square: HC. 8.15. Family N. 11. Rev E. G. R. Samders E. 6. Rev A. G. Pausson. ST PAUL'S. Wilton Place, Knights-bridge: HC. 8 and 9. Solemn Eucharist 11. Ireland in G. Archdeacon of Lon-don.

Carte PHEN'S. Gloucester Road: LM.
R. 9; RM. 11; Missa causa nostrae
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E and B. 6, Rev D. Priesi.
ST VEDAST, Foster Lane: SM. 11.
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ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland)
Pont Street 11. Rev W. A. Cabras.
6.30. Rev W. G. Balley.
CROWN COURT CHURCH (Church of Scotland)
Scotland: Russell Street. Covent Garden: 11.15. Rev J. Miller Scotl.
12.20. 6.30. Rev J. Miller Scotl.
THE ORATURY SW7: SW. 11 (Mouzet,
Y and E. 3.00. Mot Excitable te.
Doming (Croce).
ST ANSELM AND CECHIA Kingsway:
SW. 11. Missa simplex (Light) Veces
med at Dominum (Croce).
ST PATRICK'S, Soho Square: SW. 6
pan St Blasius Messe (Wassener)
Bonum est confident (Sewell).
CHURCH OF OUR LADY, & John's
Wood: SW (Latin: 10.45, Wissa hvetis
(Palestrina). Exaliable te (Palestrina).
REGENT SOLARE PRESBYTERIAN
CRURCH (United Reformed), Tavisick
Place: 11. Rev D. Hott Roberts, and
6.50. Rev Dr Daziel Jonkias.
CRYPBAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and

CENTRAL HALL, Westminster: 11 and 6.30, Nev Dr M. Barnott.

CITY TEMPLE Holborn Vinduct, EC1: 11, Rev Dr B. Johanson, 6.50 Rev Dr R. Norris.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Reed: 11,

ody temperature.

on a visit to London, berthed alongside HMS Belfast by Tower Bridge, access by St Katharine's dock pier, 2-4.30.

The English Chamber Orchestra

Offences Act, 1967, led absence, but it should be sexual acts between consenting adults in private are not lity. The vicissitudes of human growth are more subtle and complex than this. But, however caused, the deficit implies questions, however, remain the that certain needs that are nor-subject of a lively debate. As regards the churches, Metho-child's attachment to the dists, Roman Catholics and parent of the same sex remain Anglicans slike have produced unmet. Such needs are for love, dependency and identification, and the extent and manifestation of these deficits will vary considerably from person to person. At the same time, it would seem that it is precisely these unmet needs that the homosexual attempts to meet through the medium of same sex, i e, homosexual, rela-tionships. It is this that has been insufficiently realized hitherto, and that is likely to prove of central importance to the ethical debate. It suggests

Recent research has sug- that what we are speaking of his or her deepest emotional mately converge, and that the gested to me that the homosex-ual-whether male or female— nor abnormal needs, but needs physically, but this ual-whether male or female— normal needs which have— would seem to be a confusion abnormally-been left unmet in the ordinary process of growth. This in turn implies that the homosexual problem lies in the underlying deficits and not in the attempt to make up for them. Homosexuality involves both a state of incompletion

and a drive towards comple-

tion. When the problem is thus stated, the reparative drive

cannot be seen as the problem

but rather represents the

means towards solving the pro-

This is by no means to suggest the propriety of sexual activity, as distinct from a good but non-sexual relationship, with a member of the same sex. Sexual activity is not appropriate to the normal parent-child relationship. Neither does it belong to any relationship which however adult in other respects—is sig-nificantly determined by the attempt to meet essentially non-adult psychological needs. It is understandable that the homosexual should interpret

of the desires of physiological maturity with certain pre-adult psychological needs, which are essentially non-sexual.

A non-practising homosexual is still a homosexual, in whom there are certain deficits or unmet needs. For this reason the homosexual problem may be considered resolved until such needs have in fact been met. The traditional Christian prohibition implies only that the solution is not to be acted out sexually. Unfortunately, mere abstinence from sexual activity has often been mistaken for the solution, with-out realizing that there are certain legitimate psychological needs involved, which ought to be met and not left unmet. To block the fulfilment of such needs is to block the very means towards the resolution of the problem, and only confirms the individual in an essentially pre-heterosexual

Interestingly, this suggests that the concerns of both sides

position.

present polarization of opinion is in some ways more apparent than real. The "conservative" view, of the inappropriateness of homosexual acts, must be complemented by a more "liberal" affirmation of the legitimacy of homosexual needs. But it is these underlying needs, and not their trans-

lation into sexual activity, that are being accorded recognition. It is sometimes stated that homosexuality is "against the will of God". Apart from noting that the traditional prohibirion referred specifically to homosexual acts, I hope that I have brought out a more important point. If the homosexual condition implies certain unmer needs, then it is surely these deficits—and not their resolution and fulfilment-—that is against the will of God. More positively, is it not the attempt to meet such deficits that is the furtherance of the

will of God? Elizabeth Moberly Lucy Cavendish College,

Cambridge The following university lecturers have been appointed: Architecture: Projector J. Rykwort (Darwis: Dr. RCA. from October 1. 1960. 1980. Provided to the control of the

The Rev W. F. Johnston, MA, aged 49, is to be the new Chaplain General to the Forces, from July 1, in succession to the Ven Archdeacon Peter Mallett, who is to

mouth desnery.

Resignations

The Ven S. D. Ansterberry on his reinvancent from the archdescenty of Satop, diocest of Lichicid, has been appointed archdescent of Lichicid, has been appointed archarge of Leisant, but remains vicar of St. twe, diocest of True.

The Rev R. S. Frith, vicar of St. John Evangelist, Carlisle.

The Rev R. Keeley, vicar of Holy Trinity. Lolcostar.

The Rev G. L. C. Wastwell, rector of Lichborough with Maidford and Fabingstone, diocess of Petarberough.

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The Rev J. R. Pickering, priest-in-charge of Osmington with Poxwell, hear Weymouth, diocess of Salisbury. The Rev Canon H. C. M. Petts, Vicar of Cloucester E. Rowton-Lee, Vicar of Wimberne, diocess of Salisbury. January 31.

The Rev H. C. H. Veazey, Vicar of Doddington with Wything and Nownham and Rural Dean of Ospringe, diocess of Canlerbury, April 13.

The Rev H. C. Woodall, Vicar of Dostrings and Rural Dean of Ospringe, diocess of Canlerbury, April 13.

Overseas
The Rev J. M. Livingstone. Chaplain of St George's. Paris, also to be
Archdeacon of Northern France.
Withdrawal of acceptance
The Rev P. R. Allin, rector of Ordazil, dioces of Southwell. has withdrawn accuptance as Gloucester diocesson adviser in social responsibility.
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#### Sandhurst

COMMINSSIONS

The following student officers have successfully completed the post university course at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst:

M. L. Ball, REME: C. Barrington-Brown, RA: A. J. Barron, M. L. Ball, REME: C. Barrington-Brown, RA: A. J. Barron, M. L. Ball, REME: C. Barrington-Brown, RA: A. J. K. Bredford, BW: Scanson Lit. R. J. Caronson, RACC, A. N. Caming, Scats Gdz: J. F. Dalgleich, R. Anghan: N. K. Davies, REME: N. H. Danning, R. R. J. Davies, R. R. J. B. Children, R. R. S. Bredford, R. J. D. W. Glus, R. J. D. W. Bredford, R. J. J. R. G. L. R. S. Bredford, R. J. J. L. R. S. B. R. J. J. R. S. B. R. S. B. R. J. J. R. S. B. R. S. B. R. S. B. R. J. J. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. S. B. R. S. B. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. D. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. B. R. B. D. R. S. B. R. B. D. R. R. B. D. R. B. R. B. D. R. commissions

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#### New Forces Chaplain

#### Church news

Appointment
The Rev D. J. Smith, vicar of St.
Mary, Monksenton, discrete of Newcastle, to be rural down of Tynemouth occurery.

#### RSPCA honour for kitten rescue

Leicester Square in the spring.

walks: Legal and illegal London, iuns of Court, meet Holborn Underground station, 11; High life and scandal is London, meet Stoane Square station, 11; Ghosts of the City, meet St Paul's station, 2; a royal walk. London and the monarchy, meet Green Park station, 2. Mr Michael Cullen, who died this week after falling from a tree while rescuing a kirren, is being posthumously awarded the RSPCA's highest tribute for bravery in rescuing animals, the Margaret Wheatley Cross.

The kitten survived the fall but Mr Cullen. a lorty driver, of Brackenfield Road, Great Barr, Birmingham, died in hospital the next day.

# Peer's tribute to

Lord Pearson As the report points out, any failure of the water supply at a time when a diver is already dangerously cool could be life-threatening. The system relies on the diver's own assessment of his body temperature. Lord Diplock, presiding in the Lords Appellate Committee, ves-terday paid tribute to Lord Pearson, a Law Lord from 1965 to 1974, who died on Thursday. He spoke of his "yeoman service, not only to the law but to the country in the widest sphere. "He not only made many friends, but did something more difficult, he never made enemy," Lord Diplock said.

> 25 years ago From The Times of Wednesday, Feb 2, 1955

Crimean chef

On February 2, 1855, the celebrated chef Alexis Soyer wrote a letter to The Times which was to have far-reaching consequences, among them the foundation of the Army School of Cookery and the invention of the Soyer stowestill so familiar to the soldier today. On January 16, 1855, a letter in The Times from a soldier in the Crimea begged Soyer to tell him how to deal with his rations. Soyer's attention was caught, he read William Howard Russell's dispatches with mount-Russell's dispatches with mount-ing horror, and in his letter to The Times he offered to go to ing horror, and in his letter to The Times he offered to go to the front at his own expense to reform the kitchens of the military hospitals. Lord Panmure accepted the proposal and asked Sover to design an army cooking stove. The main hospital at Scutari when Sover arrived was equipped only with eight filthy copper boilers and a few the pois, sole cooking apparatus for over 2,000 patients. Cooking was done by untrained soldiers seconded in rotation. Miss Nightingale and her ladles did soldiers seconded in rotation. Miss Nightingale and her ladies did what they could with their private Etna stores, but it was not enough. Within a month of his arrival Soyer, clad in a gorgeous self-designed uniform, held a grand opening ceremony in the reorganized kitchens. From the same rations as before two civillan cooks and six soldiers (instead cooks and six soldiers (instead of 34) nourished instead of starved the patients. When at last the supplies of Soyer stoves arrived . . . not only was the food better but the stoves aved over 2000 nourish of fuel a regiover 3,000 pounds of fuel a regi-ment a day—and fuel was extremely scarce:

## Portrait of the original Jack Robinson sold for £3,200

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
Christie's were privileged yesterday to sell a portrait of that Jack
Robinson whose name cannot be
enunciated before anyone at all
quick off the mark can get things

John Doubleday, the sculptor, with his life-size bronze statue of

Charlie Chaplin, which will be placed in the south-western corner of

done.

He was born in 1727 and was successively a member of Parliament for Westmorland and Harwich, He was appointed Surveyor General of Woods and Forests in 1787.

The portrait is by George Francis Income and was appointed to the surveyor of the surveyo

Ine portrait is oy George Francis
Joseph and measures more than
4ft. Jack is shown three-quarter
length, seated before a landscape
with a letter addressed to the king
in his hand. It sold for £3,200
(estimate £1,000-£1,500) to Mr
Frank Steele, a London businessman whose wife claims the sitter
is her restancement of the restance. as her great-great-great-great-great-The sale of minur Old Master paintings totalled £127,755, with

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16 per cent unsold at Christie's
16 south Kensington a sale of art
16 nouveau and art deco attracted
17 strong bidding interest from
18 American and Continental dealers,
18 principally because prices are
18 lower for that field in Britain
18 Continental nurchaser mid-A Continental purchaser paid

elbows on knees, and dates to the late fifth or sixth century AD.

According to Dr Catherine Hills, of Cambridge University, the director of the excavation, no close parallels for the figure are

known; contemporary representa-tions of the human figure are rare, and the only seated figure of simi-lar date is of wood, from a Danish box description.

lar date is of wood, from a Damsn bog deposit.

In spite of the object's rarity its genuineness has been firmly established by thermoluminescence dating. That was carried out by Dr Martin Aitken at Oxford University's research laboratory for archaeology and the history of art, and by Dr Ann Wintle at the Godwin Laboratory at Cambridge University.

University.

It was determined that the pottery had last been fired at least 390 years ago, and probably within the period AD 460 to 1090. That period comfortably spans the entire period of use of the Spong

11,050 (estimate £500-£700) for a pair of pewter candiesticks, probably designed by Hugo Leven and stamped Kyserxian 4427. They date from about 1901.

A 43-in bronze of a "Water carrier", with a Goldscheider mark and the signature, J. Gross, went to the Continent at £600 (estimate £251-£350).

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Glass brought the top prices, as usual. A Lalique grey glass bottle, with a stopper moulded as love birds, made £1,900 (estimate £400).

At Sorheby's an English furmiture sale realized £43,095, with 7 per cent unsold. The top price was paid for a George III mahagany pedestal dining table of about 1820, at £3,500 (estimate £2,000-£3,000). The carpet section of that sale made £26,105, with 14 per cent unsold.

At Phillips the weekly silver sale made £58,193, with less than 1 per cent unsold. The modern silver was selling about 20 per cent above its melt value, according to the auctioneers.

A George III pear shaped coffee

auctioneers.

A George III pear-shaped coffee pot by Joseph Lock, dated 1778 and weighing 26 oz, had failed to find a buyer when offered by Phillips five weeks ago, and been bought in at £550. Yesterday it made £900.

# Archaeology report Spong Hill: Rare Saxon urn sculpture

By Norman Hammond
Archaeological Correspondent
A fine example of Saxon figure
sculpture in miniature has been
found in the escavation of a cremation cemetery at Spong Hill,
near North Elmham, in Norfolk,
It is a pottery urn lid, bearing the
seated figure of a person, probably male, with head in hands and
elbows on knees, and dates to the Hill cemetery and confirms the archaeological assessment of the sculpture's association with Saxon burials there.

burials there.

The sculpture will be formally published by Dr Hills in the journal, Antiquity, next March, but Is already on display in the Norwich Castle Museum, where all the Spong Hill material is deposited.

The discovery was made during the eighth season of excavations on the hillup cemetery (The Times, October 29, 1974, and February 2, 1977); during the past seasons some three-quarters of the known area of the site has been investigated, producing a total of 1,630 cremations and 60 inhumations, two of the latter being chamber graves within ring ditthes.

The general development of the cemetery is becoming clearer. According to Dr Hills, cremation was the only rite used when burial began there in the fifth century AD, and after a nucleus of graves was established later ones were in somes radiating out from it, with an emphasis on the morth-east, where the inhumation burials were Clustered in the sixth century.

One of the chamber graves may have been the first inhumation. It is certainly earlier than the graves clustered round it, and was

probably the tomb of a local hotable, so that "one might see the new burial rite as being introthe new outait rite as being intro-duced by the local leading family, cither because they were most susceptible to new ideas and fashious spreading from the south, or perhaps because at this time a new intrusive group from else-where established control.", Dr Hills says.

Hills says.

During last year's excavations two urns were found, both intact and with their lids in position; the contents were thus in better condition than usual. One por had a frice of horses stamped around it with a carved tool; another had an incised drawing of a bunting scene, a stag pursued by hounds

or wolves.

A third vessel contained the richest collection of burial goods so far found in one of the cremations. There were three brouze brooches, one of equal-armed form and two saucer-shaped, both of early fifth century continental type; a silver finger ring, bone comb, spindle whorl, ivory ring and a bronze fitting.

Glass beads may have been from a necklace, as were several silver

a necklace, as were several silver and silver-bound iron rings.

Times Newspapers Ltd, 1980.

# **OBITUARY** SIR PATRICK

HANCOCK Sir Patrick Hancock, GCMG, British Ambassador in Rome from 1969 to 1974, died yester-day in London. He was 65, From 1975 he was secretary of The Pilgrim Trust. In his early days in the Foreign Service he been secretary to Harold Macmillan and the late Selwyn · Lloyd

The son of R. E. Hancock, DSO, he was born on June 25, 1914, and educated at Winchester and Trinity College, Cambridge, entering the Foreign Service in 1937. He was appointed Principal Private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary in 1955 and a year later was made head of the western department of the Foreign Office. In 1959 he was posted Ambassador to Israel where he was a marked success; amusing the Israelis with his independent habits. such as walking rather than making use of his official car. On one occasion when he arrived a little late at an offiarrived a little late at an offi-cial ceremony Mrs Meir, then Israeli Foreign Secretary, asked him drily: "Was it a longer walk than you expected?" He was moved to Norway in 1963 wheres he was no less liked and was able when duty allowed to indulge his passion for fishing. He was succeeded as Ambass. He was succeeded as Ambassa-dor by Sir Ian Scott in 1965 when he moved back to London as Assistant Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office. In 1968-69 he was Deputy

Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, as the departments became after they had been merged, and in 1969 he succeeded Sir Evelyn Shuckburgh as Ambassador in Rome. He married in 1947 Beatrice Mangeot. They had one son and one daughter.

#### MR P. W. C. GRIFFITH Mr Patrick Waldron Cobham

Griffith, who died on January 28, at the age of 54, had retired early from the chair-manship of Turner & Newall in October last year, after three years in that office, because of a serious illness.

He was an industrialist who combined personal vitality with a remarkable directness in all his dealings, which was as appreciated as much in the City as it was by his company's amployees. During his short tenure of the chairmanship, Turner & Newall, traditionally an aspestos-based company extended its interests further into plastics and diversified into a new field when it acquired a controlling interest in Hunt Chemical, a specialty chemical manufacturer in the United

Born on April 26, 1925, Griffith was educated at Bryanston School and served as a pilot with the Fleet Air Arm during the war, including active service in the Far East on board " HMS

As a racing driver after the war, he competed in the Mille Miglia, Le Mans 24-hour and many other long distance sports car races, often as a partner of the late Peter Collins. With him he won the RAC Tourist Trophy in 1952 and the Goodwood 9-hour race in 1953.

In 1946 he joined the family business of Enginering Components Limited, which manufac-tures gaskets, filtration and cork products, becoming its chairman and joint managing director in January, 1968. In 1966 Engineering Components was acquired by Turner & Newall, of which company he eventually became chairman in 1976.

Griffith was a vice-president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Limited, on a number of its committees, and a past chairman of its Accessory and Components Committee and Public Affairs Committee. He had been a member of the Council of UKSATA ber of the Council of UKSATA and a past President of the Comité de Liaison de la Construction d'Equipments et de Pièces Automobile (CLEPA). Among his other interests, he was Junior Warden of the Worshipful Company of Coachmakers and Coach Harness Makers and a member of the Council of Manchester University Business School.

He leaves a widow, Sonis, a son and two daughters.

#### SIR ALEXANDER PATERSON Sir Alexander Paterson, KBE,

CMG, who was Senior Inspector, Foreign Service Establishments from 1950 to 1954, died on January 29 at the age of 86. Alexander Swinton Parerson

was born on March 12, 1893, the son of William Brockie Paterson, FFA, and educated at Norwich School. He served during the First World War in the North Staffordshire Regiment and entered the Foreign Service in 1920. He was Vice-Consul at Monrovia from 1921 to 1924; at Antwerp 1924-27; at Beira, 1927-29; and in New York from 1930 to 1935. From 1935 to 1943 he was HM Minister Resident and Consul at San Domingo Description Domingo Dominican Republic, and from 1945 to 1950 was Inspector General of Consular Establishments, Foreign Office. His final appointment was as Senior Inspector of Foreign Service Establishments at the Poreign Office.

He was made OBE in 1943, CMG in 1947 and created KBE in 1951.

He married, in 1930, Iscult, daughter of Theodore Charles Barclay. There were no children of the marriage. His wife died

The Countess of Sefton, widow of the seventh Earl of Sefton, died on January 28. She was Josephine, daughter of G. N. Armstrong and formerly the wife of Erskine Gwynne. She married the Earl of Sefton in 1941. He died in 1972. After his leath Lady Sefton gave Croxteth Hall, former home of the Earls of Sefton, and its 500 acres of parkland, to Liverpool Corpora-

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By Alan Gibson Bath 9

Park trip up

field but not

By Alan Gibson

Rosslyn Park did well to win
by a try and two penalty goals
to a goal and a penalty goals
to a goal and a penalty goal. It
was only the second time Barh
have lost at home this season. It
was the Park forwards who did it;
they had more power in the from
five and, surprisingly, more
mobility in the back row.

With Horton absent, Bath
played the youthful Hopkins at
stand-off half rather than the
experienced John Davies, Hopkins
did not play badly but Bath could
have done with Davies's kicking.
Warfield was the Park stand-off,
a big man behind a big pack. It
was lack of size more than lack
of skill which cost Bath their
defear.

The game began late, because
Thornton tripped over the step
as he came on to the field and
had to be replaced. Rosslyn Park
had also lost a wing, apparently
somewhere on the motorway. Despire these handicaps, the Park had
the best of the first quarter. Bath
began to pick up and took a lead
hardly deserved, when Palmer
kicked a short penalty. Bate
kicked a more difficult one and
it was almost half-time when
Rosslyn Park scored a try.
From loose play near the Bath

It was almost half-time when Rosslyn Park scored a try.
From loose play near the Bath line, Cullen swinched the direction of his kick, while the Bath defence was racing away in the opposite direction, and Hinton was over on the right.
In the second half, Park remained on top for a long time and Bate kicked another penalty goal. Bath did score a try through their remarkable young winger, Trick, who onght surely to have been given more opportunities

been given more opportunities earlier. He ran, from halfway, with only a few yards of width and Palmer made the conversion.

Faimer made the conversion.

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der Loos, R. Spurtell, C. Parsons, S.
Jones,

Jones.

ROSSLYN FARK: P. Bale: K. Lynderson. B. Read. B. Barell: P. Larneld. D. Callen: L. Bartow, P. Ketha-Rasch (captur), N. Minton, A. Rodgers, P. Actions, N. Minton, A. Manigamery, A. Ripley

Referee: D. A. Lightowier (Warwick-skire).

Butler's noble

the memories By Peter Marson

goals.
So far, Bristol had been held to check and in the grip of Butler's kicking. Before half time

Yesterday's results

Fourth division

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# Rugby Union

# England's chance to turn the tide

Rugby Correspondent Paris, Feb 1

Paris, Feb 1
It is difficult to believe that England's forwards can achieve against France at Part des Princes this afternoon the same remarkable degree of domination as they imposed on Ireland a forzaght ago. They are confident, nonetheless, of having much the better of the argument, and the side as a whole, adrenalin flowing from that solid victory at Twickenham, believe they have their best chance of winning here for some time.

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The last England success in these parts—almost as overdue as one in Cardiff—was registered 16 years ago. This looks a good moment to turn the tide, because even those closest to the home camp seem uncertain as to how their team will react after the comprehensive heating they suffered at the bands of Wales. That came as a nasty shock to French pride and aspirations. They had achieved a sterling win against New Zealand in Auckland last time.

New Zealand in Auckland last summer.

England now face a French pack altered in four respects from the one outplayed at close quarters by the Welsh, and now including two new caps. One of these is Carpentier, a 20-year-old No 8, with only two months's experience of first-class ragby, who made his mark in the recent B international against Scotland. The other is Duhart, a lock and number four jumper, who is not thought to be of exceptional calibre or potential. Maleig, the No 8 against Wales, moves up to his club position as partner for Duhart in the second row, which is where he played in Anckland. Dintrans, the hooker in New Zealand, replaces Paco, who has taken umbrage at the omission

and announced his retirement from international football.
Salas, of whom we have heard a lot since his joust with Graham Price in Cardiff, retains his poettion at loose head prop. Maleig, having run into transfer problems from one club to another, is short on match play, having played this season—apart from the international against Wales—in only two senior games. He should give the front five more mobility but, harking back to the days of

Carbentier, the new number eight, although reputedly a good jumper, and a swift mover, is not much more than 14 stones and he may look a bit stringy when lined up against his opponent John Scott.

There is not a lot of weight difference between the respective front fives, but England's for-

Today's to	eam	s at Parc	des Princes
France			England
S. Gabernet	15	Full back	W. H. Hare
D. Bastalin (Carcastonne)	14	Right wing	J. Carleton
R. Bertranne	13	Right centre	C. R. Woodward
D. Codornion	12	Left centre	N. J. Preston
JL. Averous	22	Left wing	M. A. C. Slemen
A. Canssade	10	Stand-off	J. P. Horton
J. Galiton	9	Scrum half	S. J. Smith
P. Salas (Narhonne)	7.	Prop	F. E. Cotton
P. Pintrans	2	Hooker .	P. J. Wheeler
R. Paparemborde	3	Prop .	P. J. Blakeway
Y. Duhart (Bagnores)	4	Lock	W. B. Reaumont*
A. Maleig	5	Lock	f Fyldo i M. J. Colciouda  (Augustame :
JP. Rives*	8	Flanker	R. M. Uttley
M. Carpentier	8	No. 8	J. P. Scott
JL. Joinel (Brives)	7	Flanker	(Carain) A. Neary (Broughton Park)
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wards overall are half a stone heavier per man and, with Fran Cotton opposed to Paparemburde, and Philip Blakeway against Salas, there is good reason for hoping that they will impose their will in the tight.

It will be disappointing, too, if they do not obtain a clear superfority at the line-out, where Maurice Colclough at number four is capable of doing at least as well as Nigel Horton. But they will need to be on the gui vive if the French resort to the two-man line (with Joinel the back member) which served them so well against Rumania.

line (with Joinel the back member) which served them so well against Rumania.

Everyone stems agreed that the opening phase will be critical. Then is the time for England to control the set pieces, for their balf backs to dictate where the game is played, and then no doubt for Steve Suith and John Horton to expand horizons.

The achilles heel in Smith's rounded, competitive game is the wind-up on his service. One must hope that between them England's half backs can contrive some room for two his centres, Nick Preston and Clive Woodward, well capable of making a dent or two, and for two wings, Mike Stemen and John Carleton, who between them have the pace, the skill or the strength to apply the coup dc grace.

England should be pleased to have the chance of testing a new French full back, Serge Gabernet, who was offered a cap yesterday morning when Aguirre pulled a muscle at a training session which the French coach, Jean "Toto" Desclaux, for some reason best known to himself, decreed should Desclaux, for some reason best known to himself, decreed should be staged in secret. But England know what the French backs may to if the game gets too fluid, or f Gallion, that quicksilver strum

Finishing touch to an advanced career which has run its elementary course

# How a man profited by another's misfortune

By David Hands

The vagaries of the England rugby selectors may make it seem wishful thinking, but the deicestes club could be excused for hoping that one day three of their players will occupy the England midfield positions together. Les Cusworth, a standoff half (capped once, againgt New Zealand this sesson), Paul Dodge, a centre (capped eight times in a match against Wales when his the immediate two past seatons), and the other centre. Chee rugby selectors may make it seem wishful thinking but the Leicester club could be excused Leicester club could be excused for haping that one day three of their players will occupy the England midfield positions together. Lee Cusworth a standoff half (capped once, against New Zealand this season), Paul Dodge, a centre (capped eight times in the immediate two past seasons), and the other centre, Chve Woodward, who won his first cap as a replacement against Ireland last month and plays his first full game against France in Paris today.

game against France in Paris today.

For the moment, however, the stage belongs to the latest comer of these three, Woodward, who has profited by the misfortune which befell the Sale centre, Tony Bond, out of action for the rest of this season after breaking a leg against treland. The selectors have gone for Woodward's extra pace and have therefore put the finishing touches to a career which has gone via an England colts cap (et stand-off), an under-23 cap and now a full England cap. Woodward could have added a Welsh secondary schools cap to his bonours, but for the presence in a final Welsh schools trial of a promising youth named Gareth Device, who will be in the Welsh aide which comes to I welsh side which comes to I welsh aide which comes to I welsh aide which comes to I welsh side which comes to I welsh side which comes to I welsh connexion was part of a nomadic upbringing, Woodward's father being a serving officer in the RAF. Clive Ronald Woodward was born in Cambridge-shire 24 years ago, brought up in

his scrum half was kenney. At the Harkequins he came under the influence of the New Zealander, Earle Kirton, himself a telepted stand-off with the 1957 All Blacks, But the man who made a greater impression on Woodward, as he has on a decade of Loughborough rugby players, was Jim Greenwood, the former Scotland and British Llons back row man who is now enjoying a two-year substical is Japan. Two of Greenwood's products, Fran Cotton and Steva Smith will be with Woodward in Paris.

It was Greenwood who switched with Woodward in Paris.

It was Greenwood who switched Woodward to the centra. " He has a tremendous knowledge of the game, for forward and beth play", Woodward said. " He is a great advocate of attacking rugby, and maght me to have a go wherever possible, although it was probably easier to play a running game at Loughborough, where the opposition was not as good as the clubs we meet regularly at Leicester."

Woodward broke a leg twice while he was at Loughborough (once playing football) but he recovered to captain the students, find a place in the English Universities side, an England under-23



Woodward: his extra pace impressed the selectors.

place against the Netherlands and place against the Netherlands and France and an England B cap last Sapzember. His move to Leicester for the start of this sesson—and to a new job in the sales department of a Leicester firm—was a natural step. to take, geographically and domestically the bad become angaged, to a Loicester-since wirk.

become angaged to a Leicester and policing that an integral was looking for the club with the best coach and the best players. I knew I would have so compete for a place and this is what has happened." The move brought him under the wing of matic to postpone.

(Chalkie) White, who, Woodward says, has "calmed me down. Sometimes I go for a break and lose my support but the main aspect of my game that I'm working on is defence."

He has become Leicester's leadhis first international appearance, to have thub colleagues Wheeler and Hare there in the England side. But he has been impressed with the triendliness, the helpful-ness of the leading players, the way established names like Bean-mont, Uttley and Neary have gone out of their way to make new-comers feel part of the scene. comers feel part of the scene.

Now his ambition is to establish himself in the national side. His experience of the Ireland international was limited: a "hospital" pass just after be joined the game and hardly a touch of the ball afterwards. Looking less than his 121 st, Woodward eagerly awaits the game in Paris where he will be playing with Preston in the centre for the first time, although he and Dodge had played together, with Preston as standown, it is under-23 colours.

A successful international season

off, in under-23 colours.

A successful interpational season could conceivably put him into consideration for a British Lions, place though Woodward himself is not looking that far ahead. Besides, he has an important date but July 12 which would take some putting off: his marriage to Helen hiurray, herself an England player (at hockey). There are some things it would be most undiplomatic to postpone.

# Ireland to reaffirm standing as force to be reckoned with

By David Hands Whatever other shortcomings it may have, Irish rugby could never be accused of lacking character, But, after the crescende of praise for Ireland's considerable achieve-ment in beating Australia twice last summer came the diminuendo when they came to Twickenham, a formight ago and departed a thoroughly chastened team, which leaves today's international cham-pionship match with Scotland at

Lansdowne Road, Dublin, a severe test of character for Fergus Siat-

the fierce determination of the Irish to succeed at home but also eliminate the mistakes which have littered Scotland's play so fre-

littered Scotland's play so frequently.

The three changes made by Ireland after the 24-9 defeat against England became four yesterday when the left wing, Freddie McLennau, dropped out of the side with hamstring frouble. McLennan was in some doubt before the England game but came through; now his place goes to John Moloney, capped 25 times but better known as a scrum half good enough to tour South Africa with the British Lions in 1974.

test of character for Fergus Slattery's men.

They have to get back on the road all their supporters hoped they would take against England, knowing the triple crown is now out of reach but still able to exert influence on the destination of the champlonship. Victory against the Scots would lift confidence for the trip to Paris (where Ireland have occasionally produced a surprise result) and for the visit of the Weish to Dublin.

For the Scottish too, today's game is as much a matter of character as anything else. With a new cap in each row of the scruminage, a new scrum half and a new wing, together with a new captain, they have made a courageous game later 12 games without a will, hoping perhaps that number 13 will prove incky. Michael Biggar joins a growing humber of back row forwards who also captain their tounity—Slattery leads Ireland. Squire Wales, Rives France and Mourie New Zealand-knowing he must not only match.

The question mark over Scotland is up front. They have not been able to settle on their best back row for several seasons, the experienced Alan Tomes is under suspension so a new cap, Cuth-bertson, joins Gray, capped only four times, in the second row, and in the front row lan McLaugh-lab looks to have ended a career of great distinction. On the other hand Burnett joins his colleague from Heriot's FP, Milne, in the

been the rocks on which Heriot's made their successful bid for the Scottish championship. If Scotland have got it right lu If Scotland have got it right lathe scrumwage they will run irriand very close; even so, with the Lausdowne Road faithful behind them, Ireland should reaffirm their sunding as a force to be reckoned with, and if Offic Campbell's boot can give them a sufficient points cushion, it could very well be a high-scoring game.

# Today's teams at Lansdowne Road

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T. J. Kennedy (it Mary's College)	14	Right wing	S. Murro	14
A. R. McKibbin	13	Right centre	J. AL Renwick	13
P. P. McNaughton	12	Leit centre	D. I. johnstna halsonians	12
J. J. Moloney	11	Left wing	B. G. Hay	11
S. O. Campbell	10	Stand off	J. Y. Rutherford	18
C. S. Patterson	9	Scrum half	R. J. Laidlaw	9
P. A. Orr	1	Prop	J. AL Burnett	1
C. P. Fitzgereid	2	Hooker	C. T. Deans	2
M. P. Fitzpatrick	3	Prop	I. G. Milne	3
J. J. Glennon	4	Lock -	W. Cutbbertson	4
M. I. Keane	5	Lock	D. Gray	5
J. B. O'Driscoll	6	I lanker	M. A. Biggar	. 6
D. E. Spring	8	No. 8	J. R. Bestile	. 8
J. F. Slattery	7	Flanker	A. K. Brewster	
* Captain			(Capisia	FP)

# Cheryl Brazendale, holder of the British women's swimming record for the 100 metres freestyle, is retiring from international swimming. Miss Brazendale, aged 17, from Blackpool, was the first British women swimmer to break the minute for that event.

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In the above snow report, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports were received from other sources:



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Football

# Wales and Leeds will contest Stevenson ban

Leeds United are reeling under the news that their full-back, Byron Stevenson, has been suspended for four and a half years from all European competitions. The suspension has been imposed by UEFA as a result of Stevenson being sont off while playing for Wales against Turkey last November in a European Championship match. Stevenson can still play in the World Cup qualifying matches for 1982 but must miss all European club competitions as well as Wales's part in the 1984 European Nations Championships. Stevenson was sent off in the Burocan Nations Chaupiroships.

Stevenson was sent off in the sixty-ninth minute as Wales went down 1—0. The Turks claimed he struck their player Mustafa, but Stevason denied this and was later cleared at an internal inquiry launched by the former Welsh manager, Idike Smith.

The Leeds manager, Jimmy Adamson, Said: "It is a very severe punishment for something which the player has consistently denied. He is banned from all Uefa competitions, which includes playing for Leeds should we get into Europe. It is something which has arisen when playing for Wales and so far as I am concerned it is a very harsh punishment on the

so far as I am concerned it is a very harsh punishment on the club."

Stevenson, aged 24, joined Leeds straight from school, His early years at the club were served while Leeds were suspended from European competition after crowd

violence during their 1975 European Cup final against Bayern Munich in Paris.

After a four-year absence Leeds qualified for the Uefa Cup this season, only to lose to Craiova of Romadia in the second round. Their could turn out to be Stevenson's European swansong. Both Leeds and Wales said yesterday that an appeal against Stevenson's sentence would be made.

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A UEFA announcement sald Stevenson punched the Turkish player in the face, injuring him so sewerely that he had to have an operation. The four-and-a-half year han on the Welshman is the second highest suspension ever imposed by UEFA on a player.

Citive White writes: The punjishment handed out to Stevenson is particularly harsh, when one considers it is unlikely that anyone saw the offending incident in Turkey. The alleged assault took place some 50 yards off the ball, and Constant Ghita, the referee, had to consult a linesman, before sending off Stevenson. It would appear that the linesman's evidence was decisive, although Mike Shith, the, then, Welsh team manager, told me that the linesman could not possibly have seen the incident, as he was moving back with the play at the time. None of the officials of either side, nor anyone among the press, including myself, said that he had wimessed the incident at the time. It is true



Stevenson: was cleared at an internal inquiry.

that Stevenson and Mustafa had been involved in a running feud earlier in the game. The severity of the injury may tence. If Stevenson was guilty. his action cannot be defended, but it is to be hoped UEFA were aware of the provocation that the Weish players experienced on and off the field. Even before the match had begun, they were petied with tangerines and tomatoes.

# A time to bury chins in sheepskin

By Norman Fox

Football Correspondent At cost to his professional pride, if not to his bank balance, Ian Greaves, the Bolton Wanderers manager, became the first of the New Year scapegoats for those clubs in danger of relegation. To be sure he will not be the last as inevitability takes the place of hope.

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Like Bolton, Derby County and Bristol City are moving too slowly in the first division but not far above them are such powers as Everton and Manchester City. Rumours of discontented directors grow louder, as does the sharp criticisms of the dissatisfied customers. It is all part of the common gamble and Mr Greaves himself put his tinger on the annual plight of his brother managers by saying that it was "sacking time".

Little wonder the endangered species wishes to protect the weakest. Those in the most vulnerable position are often victims of temporary problems and are not expected to mention past achievements. Others inherit poor players and even worse board of directors.

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directors.

More managers will bury their chins in sheepskin this afternoon and pray for a last chance. Stan Anderson, who was persuaded to stay on at Bolton when Mr Greaves

was dismissed, has the opportunity to take sole charge, but one wonders what he will be thinking as he watches the team take on Coventry City at Burnden Park. Will he be in the mood to work a marvel? His only change for today's game is to place Gowing in the centre of the defence. Coventry will be without Wallace, their joint leading scorer but Ferguson could be included in a team wanting to forget being knocked out of the FA Cup by Blackburn Rovers last Saturday.

There will also be frowning onlookers on the bench at Stoke City's ground where Bristol City will be trying to climb above their almost equally worried opponents. At least Steke have two matches in hand and with Bristol City deprived of their capatia, Gow, who is suspended, and Merrick, who dislocated his shoulder last week, they should keep a small margin of safety between themselves and the bottom three. They are tempted to play two newcomers, Chapman and Cook, in the struck, whereas the Bristol club take more drastic action by placing Royle and five others on the transfer list.

Derby County's manager, Colin Addison, has never bees able to sit back and enjoy untroubled times at the Baseball Ground and is unlikely to feel any more comfortable after, the visit of Manfortable after the visit of Manfortable is unlikely to feel any more com-fortable after the visit of Man-chester United, who have not lost

been particularly unfortunate to lose the soothing defensive ser-vices of McFarland's latest injury was a damaged Achilles tendon last September but he played in a reserve match last

Wilkins failed a fitness test on a foor injury and although he will not play for Manchester United today, he hopes to be fit for England's European Championship game against the Republic of Ireland next Wednesday. He is replaced by Jovanovic, who joined United from Red Star Belgrade but has not yet played in a league match. Jovanovic was brought as a defender but began as a forward and has played in midfield.

Strong under-21 party: England's

Strong under-21 party: England's manager, Ron Greenwood, decided on experience rather than experiments yesterday when he picked three full internationals in the party for the European under-21 champiouship quarter-final round first leg against Scotland at Covernment 2.

#### Weekend fixtures

Kick-off 3.00 unless stated First division

Gloucester 15 Bristot 7

This was not the most memorable of matches between these two great rivals, but we witnessed some polgnant moments in Gloucester's victory by five penalties from Peter Butler to a try and a penalty goal. Apart from Butler's insatiable appetite for points, we had at the start a moment's stience on a still, cold evening and we remembered the pessing of the club's most capped player and, "the grand old man of Gloucester rugby "Tom Voyce. After 11 minutes when Bristol were pulled up for offside at a ruck Eutler began the scoring with a simple penalty goal from 23 metres out. This was something of a landmark for Butler and, of course, the statisticians who with a knowing nod dutifully marked down Butler's 3,2020d point.

Butler was obviously intent on doing his best, though, for soon, when Bristol had again erred at a ruck 22 metres out, and when Sheppard was pulled up at a scrummage outside the 22, Butler coolly and calmly landed penalty foolf. Aston Villa v C Palace ..... Bolton v Coventry ..... Chester v Gillingham ..... (P) Derby v Manchester U ...... Chesterfield v Swindon ...... Morton v Dundee Utd.... Ipswich v Srighton ..... Exeter v Millwall ...... Partick v Hibernian ..... Liverpool v Leeds ..... Grimsby v Brentford ..... Manchester C v W Bromwich .... Hall City v Bury ...... Scottish first division Middlesbrough v Arsenal ..... Oxford Utd v Mansfield ...... Notim. Ferest v Norwick ...... Rotherham v Blackpool ...... Stoke v Bristol City ...... Sheffield Wed v Colchester ..... Weiverhampton v Everton .....

> Second division Bristol Rovers v Cambridge .... Burnley v Fulham ..... Cardiff v Watford ..... Chariton v Birmingham ...... Cheisea v Shrewsbury ..... Luton v Netts, Co. ......

> Orient v Wrezham ..... Preston N.E. v Oldham ...... Q.P. Rangers v Swansea Sunderland v West Ram .....

Butler's kicking. Before half time there was only momentary relief when Sorrell landed a simple penalty goal.

Here on, play moved fast and furiously up and down and across the pitch with Gloucester never hinting at relinquishing their commanding lead. Eventually Bristol's mistakes merely gave Butler the opportunity to put Gloucester beyond reach, and in spite of Pomphrey's try midway through the second haif Butler did just that with another two penalty goals.

GLOUCESTER: P. Sutter, R. Clewes (captain: R. Most. D. Polation, P. Trocadi, F. Reed, A. Brooks, P. Wieneld, B. Boyle, J. Waldma, A. Thornton, P. Wood.

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# Third division

Barnsley v Sheffield Utd ...... Carlisle v Reading ..... (P)

Wimbledon v Plymouth ..... Fourth division

Aldershot v Darlington ...... Bournemouth v Stockport ...... Bradford v Newport ...... Scottish second division

Rugby Union Internacional matches ireland v Scouland (Dublin, 2.30) France v England (Paris, 2.0)

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#### Scottish premier division Celtic v St Mirren

#### Airdrie v Clydebank .....

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Tomorrow Rugby Union
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Doncaster v Barrow; Festmerson
Rovers v Dowsbury; Hailfax v Whitehayen (5.30): Keighey v Bramley (3.15).
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#### Television highlights

BBC I
Football: Preview (12.20), Match
of the Day (9.35)
Show jumping: Park
Northwood (12.55, 4.20)
Athletics: GB w West Germany
(1.30, 4.35)
Cricket: Australia w England,
third Test (2.10)
Rugby Urion: France w England
(2.25); Ireland w Scotland
(4.0)

Football: Preview (12.35)
Cycling: World cyclo-cross championships (1.0) pionships (1.0)
Racing: Sandown Park tuces at
1.30, 2.0, 2.30, 3.0; Stratford-on-Avon races at 1.45,
2.15 and 2.45

Motoring: Monte Carlo rally (3.10) Wrestling: Reading promotion (4.0) Cricket: Australia
(6.40)
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(7.25)
World professional cham-Darts: World professional cham-pionships (10.55)

BEC 2-tomorrow Rugby Union: Review of internationals (4.25)
Cricket: Australia v England (5.40)
Darts: World championships (10.55) ITV-tomorrow

Football: Big Match, (2.45)

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Bowls second world singles title

Melbourne, Feb. 1.— David Bryant, of England, made sure of his second gold medal in the world singles championship, when he beat the Israeli, Cecii Cooper.

21—16 here today. Bryant, aged 48, began the day needing two and a half points for the tide and. after wins over Canadian and Japanese opponents, made certain by defeating Cooper.

Bryant, who first won the singles title in Sydney in 1966, hopes now to equal his achievement then of losing once in the 19 rounds; his only conqueror this year has been Arthur McKernan, of Jersey. Tomorrow he faces Lohn Small of Australia, who is

19 rounds; his only conqueror this year has been Arthur McKernan, of Jersey. Tomorrow he faces John Snell, of Australia, who is seeking the silver medal. Snell was taken to 27 ends by the Fijian, Oscar Raymond, today before winning 21—17. David McGill (Scotland) won all his three matches to keep third place.

The fours have developed into an organizers' dream when the joint leaders, Scotland and Hongkong, meet for the gold; a draw and two wins to Scotland and three wins to Hongkong left them level at the end of today. Scotland's four—John Summers, Willie Wood, Willie McQueen and Alex McIntosh—have had four wins and a draw in their last five matches.





Bryant makes certain of his Mottram rushes to Britain's aid in play-off

British No. 1 Christopher Buster) Mottram, flew home (Buster) yesterday from the United States and immediately agreed to repack help the King's Cup team in their relegation light tomorrow at Le Ritain lost the first leg of the crucial play-off against France in Gloucester on Thursday night, and are in danger of being relegated from the first division. They were left with just two experienced players, David Lloyd and Andrew Jarrett, after Robin Drysdale had been released to be with his wife, who had her first baby on Thursday.

SEATTLE: Women's tournament:
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(GB) 6-1, 0-3; Mrs C. Des Barger
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6-3, 7-5; Miss S. Renker W. Gremany) best Miss B. Napossa. 6-3. EICHMOND, VIRDRIA: Richmond Classic: J. Kriek (SA) beat B. Gott-fried Combardt (Switzerland). Example beat H. Gunthardt (Switzerland). Example J. Sadri USI beat J-L. Clerc

Cricket

# **England confound the optimists**

Except that England are so

horribly prone to collapse, there seemed no reason why Australia

and when Boycott was unexpec-tedly but splendidly caught in the gully by Mallett, diving to his right, Larkins came in and played

right, Larkins came in and played very well.

By the middle of the afternoon Mailett, who had come on after only 35 minutes this morning—not because the ball might have turned but due to the slowness of the pitch—had conceded 38 runs.

"There is no atmosphere" people

the pitch—had conceded 88 runs.
"There is no atmosphere" people were saying; "the Australian selectors are putting the biame on each other" someone else said; "We should be 300 for two by the close" an English optimist said—and before you could say Ned Kelly, or Kerry Packer, England's innings was falling to pieces.

Cricket Correspondent

Melbourne, Feb 1 Goodness knows how many times I must have written it after Enland have failed, but it really is hard to believe that they will ever, for as long as they play cricket, have a better chance to make a lot of runs than they did here today. After winning the toss in the third Test match against Australia, they were 170 for one with only 10 minutes to go to tea; yet by close of play the score was a wretched 231 for six.

Exerciting was in the hatsmen's score was a wretched 231 for six. Everything was in the batsmen's favour. The pitch was Melboune's best of the year; the temperature was right; the light was good; Lillee was said to be "crook" and his fellow Australians were suffering, or should have been, from the effects of a fearful drubbing by the West Indians earlier this week.

from the effects of a fearful drubbing by the West Indians earlier this week.

For half the day I actually enjoyed watching England bat—and it is very seidom that one can say that. Within the first hour Gooch twice hit Mallett back over his head for four, the fine, bold strokes of a man in form. Boycott was in his element. In front of the smallest first-day crowd (15,116) that can ever have watched a Melbourne Test match—Australia's defeat in Adelaide and a strike that had crippled public transport were factors in this—England cruised comfortably enough to 94 for no wicket at lunchtime.

Australia's one clear-cut chance of breaking the opening partnership had gone begging when lan Chappell dropped Boycott at slip off Mallett: Boycott was 15 at the time and the catch was straightforward. It was also off Mallett that Gooch was fortunate when, from another lofted drive, to suggest that a younger, more

Last chance for

achieve ambition

Jonathan Lesile went a step closer to the perfect finish to his international squash career as Wembley on Thursday night. Lesile, aged 29, from Buckinhamshire, who has decided to retire from top competition at the end of the season, reached the semi-finals of the British amateur championship, spousored by Sun Life, with a convincing 7—9, 9—4, 9—5, 9—2 victory over Mohammed Awad.

Lesile, for several years the Briton most likely to halt an over-

sortion most likely to half an over-seas domination in the event, met another Egyptian, Magdi Saad, for a place in the final. Saad caused the first serious upset of the week by knocking out last year's rumer-up, Atlas Khan of Pakistan, in four sames

up. Atlas Khan of Pakisian, in four games.

Lesite, the third seed, has twice before lost at the semi-final stage and was runner up in 1976. This is his final chance in what is possibly the last British amateur, as the game goes "open" in September.

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(Pakistan) 9-1. 5-9.

Jonathan Lestie went a step

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For the record Squash rackets

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should be allowed to get into the game. Gooch has been batting better recently than at any other time for England and Boycott seemed systematically to be laying the foundations of a hundred; and when Roycott was interpre-

Graham Gooch: out for 99.

dreamy, silly old Gooch. It was a ridiculous way to get out, let ridkulous way 10 get out, let alone in a Test match against Australia with a hundred there for the taking, an interval ahead, in which to have a shower and a change, and then an evening in which to plunder a tired attack. A tea score of 175 for tiree was disappointing: 192 for six, 40 minutes afterwards, was pathetic. Seeing their chance, the Australians took it very well. One minute the Chappells were squatting down next to each other at slip, gazing at the grass, seemingly resigned to their fate: the next they were on their toes. Gower, playing back to Lillee, was leg before; Willey, playing no stroke to Pascoe, was also leg before, more wantonly; Botham, trying to glance Lillee, was caught at the wicket down the leg side. By now Ian Chappell and Marsh were racing each other from end to end, minutes afterwards, was pathetic.

Board's secretary

By Srikumar Sen
Boxing Correspondent
"We were wrong. We were not
as watchful as we should have
been", the British Boxing Board
of Control's general secretary
Ray Clarke, said about the Willie
Classen affair in a detailed and
archete interview in Boxing

Classen affair in a detailed and exclusive interview in Boxing News yesterday. "... and perhaps we were naive", he added, "in accepting Classen's manager's statement that he had left the licence behind in New York". The decision to allow him to box against the British middleweight, Tony Sibson, in October " was mine and I take full responsibility for it".

their mistake

Boxing

admits

between overs, as they often do when Australia are on top.

For no other reason than to point to the inexperience of Australian umpires. I will tell you that Cronin, who gave both Gower and Botham out is standing in only his fourth first-class match. His one other visit to the Melbourne Cricket Ground was to see a football final. With umpire Bailbache he ruled that Larkins was out of order wearing his dark (night) order wearing his dark (night) batting gloves. Marsh had protested about this, presumably for the sake of it, though the umpires might, I suppose, have found it harder to be sure whether or not a red ball had hit a dark glove than a lighter one.

With a quarter of an hour left of a sail, but sunlit, evening Australia took a new ball. Having Australia took a new ball. Having been together for an hour by then, Brearley and Taylor survived it without undue difficulty. In the last two hours and ten minutes of the day England lost five wickets for 61 runs by barring as poorly as earlier they had batted well. One should know better than to trust the England batsmen. It is like driving on the A25 through Surrey and Kent: you think it can never be as bad again, and you get a good run for a few miles — but something dreadful always happens in the end.

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BNGLAND: First finings
A. Gooch, run out
Boycott, c Majiett, b Dymock
Larkins, c G. Chappell, b
Pascoe
I. Gower, How, b Lilea
Willey, thw, b Pascoe
T. Botham, c Marsh, b Lilea
T. Botham, c Marsh, b Lilea
R. Taylor, not out
Extra (b 1, lb 1, m-b 12) 

Buckinghamshire players

were in the English Lions indoor team, who eventually finished second to the Dutch at The Hague,

# the new Lancashire terms

Barry Wood, who has just received a Lancashire record testi-monial cheque for 562,429, is leaving the county because of a financial disagreement. In a stateintancial disagreement. In a statement, issued yesterday, the
Lancashire chairman Cedric
Rhoades said: "Barry Wood has
refused the increased financial
terms offered to all the other
members of the club's playing
staff and, therefore, will not be
playing for Lancashire next
season".

The announcement follows lone

season.".

The announcement follows long talks between Wood and the manager Jack Bond, along with the club chairman, and arises from Wood's belief that a player who can open the barring and the bowling and is also a specialist fieldsman in the gully, is worth more than other members of the

Wood, who is 37, joined Lanca-shire in 1966. He was, along with other senior capped players, offered terms that were an im-provement on last summer, and well above the rate laid down by the Test and County Cricket

Hoard,
He would have received a basic salary of more than £5,000 and, with extra money to come from match appearances, winning bomuses and sponsorship at all levels, could have earned £7,000 for a season starting in April and ending in September.

Nothing finalised: The amouncement in Durban on Thursday by the South African fast bowler Viotcent van der Bill, that he will be playing for Middlesex in the county club stressed yesterday. A Middlesex official said: "Nothing has been finalised. There are discussions going on."

Buckinghamshire have

the better credentials The man with the best treden-tials in the Cheshire party is their manager, Geoffrey Poole, of Great Britain, Wales, Cheshire and Nes-Buckinghamshire are at home to Cheshire at Slough, starting at 1.45, tomorrow in the quarter-finel in the threefold role of forward, half back and deep defender. If the other members of the Cheshire party cannot boast of such versatility they, at least, are unperturbed by Buckinghamshire's apparent strength. round of the county hockey champlouship, spousored by Rank Xerox. This match should have seen played last Sunday, but so

nurbed by Buckinghamshire's apparent strength.

It is interesting to observe, however, that five players in the Cheshire party of 16 are from Neston, who were beaten by Slough in the national club final at Slough last season. They are reinforced by player from Brooklands and Bowdon and their from runners are likely to be Greene, Smith and Brogdon.

An attempt will be made at The decision to allow him to box against the British middleweight. Tony Sibson, in October "was mine and I take full responsibility for it".

The move follows the decision of the New York Athletic Commission earlier this week to lift the ban on boxing in New York which had been imposed while the Senate Committee investigated the death of the Puerto Rican Mr Clarke said that his board had been in comact with the New York commission ever since Classen's death on November 28. They had also advised all world boxing bodies of their decision to tighten up rules regarding foreign boxers' documentations on December 20—before The Sunday Times that a postponement was granted.

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An attempt will be made at Boutuville to play the remaining quarter-final manch between Worcestershire and Essex. It was postponed last Sanday because of bad weather. The winners here will be away either to Buckinghamshire or Chashire in the ami-final round. Middlesex have to travel to Yorkshire for the other semiround. Auddiesex mays to traven to Yorkshire for the other semi-finel match on February 17. Holmes is not available for Essex and 1 s replaced by Urekling.

Wood rejects | Spyglass Hill holds no

fears for Graham

From Peter Ryde Pebble Beach, California, Feb 1 The lowest score after the first round in the Crosby pro-am tournament here yesterday was shared between Tom Kite and Jerry Pate but back at base everyone was saying that the psychological leader was David Graham of Antralla who traved a four under Australia who scored a four under par 68 over Spyglass Bill, the course everyone fears.

Spyglass was designed by the architect Trent Jones, which means that professionals are sus-picious of it because they regard him as some kind of demon whose him as some kind of demon whose mission in life is to tease them and prevent them scoring well. What Graham thought of it is not known because he disappeared, saying he was not feeling well, but Watson said he thought a man could take 74 there and still win the Crosby. Peter Oosterhuis would have Peter Oosterhuis would have liked to hear that because he took 75 over it. On that score or better, were more than 100 professionals overall, 70 of whom will qualify for the final round at Pebble on Sunday, Graham's score was made by his 31 home, in the course of which he hirdled the shortest hole (130 yards) the hardest par four and a hole of 555 yards, which is nothing compared with the 600 yards of the opening hole.

Graham: lucky to get challenge behind him.

say that conditions had never been easier, the fear is there, partly visual and wholly psycho-logical that a good score may come to grief on the beach above which it perches. As Watson said, all through the round you are conscious that that hole has to be played. Littler, who scored 68 at Cypress yesterday, will be 50 this summer. Nicklaus, who reached the green

with the 600 yards of the opening hole.

Perhaps there is something in the professionals' attitude although it tends to become exaggerated. Graham was lucky in being able to get the challenge behind him on such an easy day with no wind, the best kind of light and easy paced greens. It was also of some advantage to be able to clean and place the ball on five fairways, but he was still two strokes clear of anyone else who played that course. Of the 12 leading overall scores seven came from Cypress and only one from Spyglass. Nickiaus, who reached the green comfortably, was in two minds whether his two iron would be enough. Eventually be settled for a one iron, leaving his playing partner, Hinkle, to miss it with a two iron. Warson came back in 32 for a 68, had his first two there with a two iron and 25 foot putt. cypress and only one from spyziass.

The thought of Jack Nicklaus
playing Cypress and its famous
16th hole was irresisable to many
people besides myself. Cypress,
for all its qualities, is not a great
spectator course and any attempt
to run one of the blg championships here would at once lead to
transport and crowd problems. It
is a nice blend of dunes and park
golf and it is this that makes one
feel it is the kind of indimate
course which one would never
grow tired of playing. It has a
few hills but is wonderfully compact. Pate, who had never done better than five at the hole, scored his first three. Kire, who also made par there, had a rousing finish over the last four holes which made all the difference to an otherwise average round. otherwise average round.

He played the 16th well enough with a four wood to 20ft and the other three holes he birdied, hitting the green at the 15th, 17th and 18th with a seven iron. It made good watching for those speciators who take a thermos and sandwiches to the scene and settle down for the day, moving as little as the seals that sprawl on the nearby rocks.

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Another virtue of it is the smallest of the greens protecting holes that would otherwise be too defenceless, and it has the great one-shotter towards the ocean ly-ing in walt near the end of the round. Even on a day which prompted Gene Littler, who has played that course more often per-haps than anyone in the field, to



Stratford-on-Avon programme

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3.15 ELSINORE CHASE (Div II: novices: £1,034: 2m)

3.45 CREDIT CALL CUP CHASE (Hunters: £495: 3½m)

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Lane Grey, A. Long, 9-12-0 ... Mr R. Sculariore 7

4-5 General Dew. 2-1 Village Mark, 8-1 Aleiral, 12-1 Msori, Zans Grey, 13-1
Vorkshire Courage.

2.45 MIDLAND INDUSTRIAL CLEANERS HURDLE (Handicap:

1.15 ELSINORE CHASE (Div I: novices:

# Miss Little looms large

Deerfield Beach, Florida, Feb
1.—Sally Little had a birdle on
the final hole for a 68, five-underpar, yesterday that earned her a
first-day lead in the opening event
of the 1980 Ladles Professional
Golf Association (LPGA) season.
Miss Little, from South Africa,
sank a five-foot put at the parfive eighteemh hole to secure the
lead in the 100,000-dollar championship, Her round included five
birdles and was never over par ou
the 6,350-yard Deer Creek country
club course. One stroke behind
were Amy Alcott, Bath Daniel, tournaments between them.

The 1980 season marks the LPGA's 30th anniversary. At least \$5m in prize money is being offered for the 39 tournaments. Lax year's player of the year, Nancy Lopez, finished in 73.

LEADERS: 68. S. Linie, fourth Artica; 69. J. Camer, B. Danel, A. Alcor, J. Blanck: 70. V. Singleton, S. Post (Camer, B.) White P. Streeter, S. Post (Camer). H. Stary, J. Singleton, S. Post (Camer). H. Pillar Stary: 73. A. Sheard: 75. M. Walker: 50. J. Lee Smith-Rouge.

Badminton Stevens in control despite his injury

By John Karter Ray Stevens, the England No 1, who is still suffering from a knee injury sustained in December, showed not the slightest sign of the strategy snowed not the signless sign of physical inhibition as he trounced Ray Rofe, 15—6, 15—0 in a first round match in the Laing Grand Prix at Chester last night Prix at Chester last night.

Stevens—always an exemplary player to watch, even when he is only in second gear—has had to ease back in training, and says that his main problem now is staming. This is a quality that is rested to the full here as they play three singles in the space of about five hours—"ask Bjorn Borg to do that!" Stevens said wryly.

Kevin jolly, the joint number one seed with Stevens, had an equally easy ride in his first match. He beat Tim Stokes, 15—8, 15—4 a score that bears no relation to the disdainful ease of the 15-4 a score that bears no rela-tion to the disdainful ease of the

on to the discalard ease of the victory.

Open at Wembley: The all-England badminton championships at Wembley next mouth, the first to be staged since the sport went open last year, will carry total prize money of £10,535. The mensy champion will take £1,000 and the winner of the women's singles, £750.

Rackets

#### The tank pounds armoured car into submission

By Roy McKelvie

Mark Nicholls unseated the
holder, Christopher Braithwaite,
hy 15-5, 17-15, 15-12 to win
the Army rackets championship at
the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, yesterday. Last mouth his
younger brother, Paul, won the
under 24 title. In a show of sustained force (tank versus
armoured car) Nicholls avenged
his final defeat in five games last
year. armoured cut? Nicholls avenged his flual defeat in five games last year.

Nicholls opened with a run of 12 points and the first game was over virtually before Brainhwale had time to draw breath. The next two were very different. Braithwaite led 14—10, game point, in the second and 12—18 in the third. Had he won either of these games his fortunes might have prospered. But, in the second, his play became tentative, and in the third, Nicholls, knowing that he could not go on hammering so feroclously for ever, let loose one final betrage suding with a run of seven, including several winning hammer services. Nicholls showed more consistency and concentration than usual. When Braithwaite beat him four times in the third game with hammer services he replied with the same. He allowed Braithwaite no scope for changing the pace and very little time to think clearly. The loser was like a man trying to find shelver during a bombardment.

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# Raffi Nelson can ride his good fortune

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent
With the possible exception of
the King George VI Chase, the
Fresh Fields Holidays Handicap
Chase is the most interesting
steeplechase so far this season.
The field for Sandown Park's feature race today contains the winner
of last year's Whithread Gold Cup,
Diamond Edge, who is currently
third in the betting for the
Cheltenham Gold Cup; King
Weasel, a highly rated steeple
chaser trained in Yorkshire by
Better Essterby; last year's Irish
Grand National winner Tied
Cottage; Otter Way, the hunter
who won the Whitbread four
years ago; Raffi Nelson, who has
won his last six races; Modesty
Forbids, winner of this season's
Anthony Mildmay, Peter Cazalet
Memorial Chase; and Parkhouse,
a mare who is very much in form Memorial Chase; and Parkhouse, a mare who is very much in form nowadays.

The big question is: can Diamond Edge give as much as allib to Raffi Nelson? I am inclined to doubt it, and Raffi Nelson is my selection for that reason. After beating Roller Coaster by 10 lengths at Cheltenham last Saturday, Raffi Nelson will never be so well handicapped again, further he has not been

penalized for that latest success. Raffi Nelson is trained by Nicky Henderson and he, I know, is adamant that last Saturday's race could only have done his horse good because he had not done much work at home during the previous formight after bruising a foot. Raffi Nelson did not have a hard race at Cheltenham, yer Stephen Smith Eccles felt him tire after jumping the last fence.

down at the beginning of January.

Otter Way has not run this season. King Weasel won ten steephechases in a row before letting his camp down badly at Kempton a formight ago in the race won by Border Incident. Apparently the discomfort caused by corns was thought to be responsible for his indifferent jumping and a lacklustra display. King Weasel still has to prove that he can stay beyond two miles and a half but his rider, John O'Nelli, is convinced that he will. At his best King Weasel would certainly be a threat to one and all, but it remains to be seen whether he will be in the pink so soon after being plagued by foot trouble. Tied Cottage's form this season has been uninspiring to say the least: on his last appearance be unseated his rider at Gowran Park. As for Parkhouse, she does look too close to Raffi Neison for comfore in Parkhouse, she does look too close to Raffi Nelson for comfort in this handicap There is a lot to recommend the racing at Sandown today besides the big race. Beacon Light and Gambing Prince seem set to treat us to an enthralling duel in the Scilly Isles Novices Chase, alight

Beacon Light was the better hurdler.

Beacon Light's stable companion, Birds Nest, may just come out the best in his race with Connaught Ranger and Poliardstown in the Otelsy Hurdle, which should shed some light on the Champion Hurdle. On a line through Celtic Ryde there should be little between my selection and Connaught Ranger; Birds Nest is probably the faster towards the end. Pollardstown cannot be far away, having beaten Celtic Ryde in the Triumph Hurdle last season. Unfortunately be had a heavy fail in his only race this season and it remains to be seen whether his confidence has been affected.

Another winner for Bob Tornell's Ogbourne stable could well be Prince of Bermuda, who beat Parleur d'Or in his last race at Newton Abbot. Parleur d'Or underlined that form in ho uncertain way at Windsor on Wednesday when he fairly sprinted away with his next race.

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If Raffi Nelson is an improving young horse, and that is precisely what he appears to be, Diamond Edge may well be faced with an impossible task trying to give him so much weight. For all that, Diamond Edge is sure to give him so much weight. For all that, Diamond Edge is sure to give his numerous backers a good run. His trainer, Fulke Waiwyn, told may yesterday that the horse was in great heart, but even he is afraid of Raffi Nelson.

When Diamond Edge won the Whitbread Gold Cup last apring, When Diamond Edga won the Whitbread Gold Cup last spring, he Emisted a long way in front of Modesty Forbids and Otter Way, and I can see no reason why he should not best them again. Modesty Forbids fell but was remounted to finish a remote third in his last race; before that he had outstaked some extremely tired horses to win over three miles and five furlougs at San-

STATE OF COING (official): Sundown: Steeplechase course: Good to sort. Hurdles course: Saft. Stationd: Soft. Manday: Leicuster: Hurdles course: Heavy: Steeplechase course: Soft. Plumpton: Soft.

# preference going to Beacon Light, who has won five steeplechases in as many attempts. Gambling Prince

#### King Kong confirms his stature By Michael Seely

By Michael Seely
Despite Spartan Missile's sevenlengths defeat by King Kong II in
the Wilfred Johnstone Chase at
Sandown Park yesterday, the odds
against John Thorne's hunter
Chaser for the Cheltenham Gold
Cup and the Grand National remain unchanged at 16-1. No one
can quarrel with bookmakers'
assessment. Over yesterday's distance of two and a half miles
King Kong is the fastest hunter
in the country and was the filter
animal of the pair in the paddock
beforehand.
Rosemany White, on the 11-yearold King Kong, soon opened up
a long lead and, crossing the
water with six fences to go, was
20 lengths clear of the odds-on
favourite. Spartan Missile reduced
the gap approaching the straight
but King Kong kept on strongly to
win unchallenged. Spartan Missile
certainly needed the race, but it
was asking a great deal of the
eight-year-old to give a specialist
over the trip so much start on
the final circuit, King Kong and
Spartan Missile will renew ther

Spartan Missle will renew their rivalry in the Charles Higgins - Memorial Foxbunters Cup at Newbury next Saturday, when I would respect to see the placings

The Wantage trainer, Tim Forster, continues in magnificent form. Having won the last race at Towcester on Thursday with Royal Admiral, he completed a double with Probable and Profes-sor Plum in the first two races y sterday.
Probable was a little lucky to

succeed, as Killer Shark fell at the last when in the lead and badly hampered The Goldstone,



Professor Plum clears the last fence on his way to victory in the Park Handicap Chase at Sandown Park yesterday.

only half a length to carch

Frobable.

Forster looked like completing a treble. New Formula was continually outlumping Cabar Feidh in the Fairmile Handicap chase, but Cabar Feidh ran on the stronger up the final hill to win by three lengths. Richard Litley rode Peter Calver's eight-year-old, who will have either the Scottish Grand National or the Whitbread Gold Cup as his final objective for the season.

The Sussex trainer had good news of his former stable jockey, Bob Champion. "Bob has at last been given a clean bill of health by the doctor. He is going to the States for a few rides this summer and will then renew his job as my first jockey next season.", Gifford add.

The most impressive performance of the afternoon was given account of the season.

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Josh Gifford continued in winning relu when Ross du Vin Just managed to hold at bay the determining victory over Just Jet.

of all at the time. In spite of this mined challenge of Palaestrina in Today's Wetherby meeting has mishap The Goldstone falled by the Wavendon Handicap Hurdle, been abandoned because of frost, The Sussex trainer had good news of his former stable lockey, Bob who finished second to Southern Mobile at Sandown earlier this mouth, can defeat his stable commonth, can deteat his stable com-panion, Bawnogues, and Pine Brook in the Bedcrest Handicap Chase. Tumbler, winner of his last two races at Ludlow and Sandown, has Farmer to over-come in the Panama Cigar

qualifler.
Raid on France: Lord Gallant, ridden by Paul Tulk, can set the English challenge at Cagnes-sur-Mer off on the right note in the \$2.793 Prix des Camelias tomor-

#### Sandown Park programme [Television (ITV.): 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.30 SPRING HURDLE (Handicap: £1,385: 2m) S DUBDIAS (Dannicap: 11,385; 2m)
Swift Sandow (CD), R. Turnell, 11-10-5
Sheer Sik (CD), G. Salding, 6-11-6
Sheer Sik (CD), F. Walwyn, 6-11-6
Sheel Sarst (D), F. Walwyn, 6-11-6
Shell Sarst (D), L. Kennard, 8-10-1
Excalsor (D), H. O'N-Wil, 6-10-1
Prince of Bursheds (D), R. Turnell, 8-10-3
Mearndyle, R. Athus, 8-10-2
Upton Blahes, Mre N. Smith, 6-10-2
Upton Blahes, 10-0
Undedel (D), M. H. Satarty, 6-10-0
Misdeal (D), J. Lang, 8-10-0
Silver Sheel, d. Jenkus, 7-10-0
Langer, J. D'Donophus, 6-20-0
O' Smanuda, 4-1 Neyer Li Up, 9-2 Sheer 2.0 ELMBRIDGE CHASE (Handicap: £3.856: 24m 68vd)

Unde Bing (CD), R. krad. 11-11-0. J. Francome Bo And So (C), N. krad. 11-11-0. J. Francome Bo And So (C), N. krades, 11-11-10. R. Burry Bishops Pawa, J. Ninson, 9-12-7. Mr J. Nelson, 4 Govenor's Last, R. Barrot, 5-11-1. G. McCourt Harry Hotspir, Mrs. D. Oughton, 10-11-2. S. Smith Eccies Joint Venture, J. Old. 11-10-13. S. May Rajmatai (C), M. Haynas, 9-10-0. J. J. O'Neill Mastership, B. Stevens, 10-10-0. Mr S. Slevens, Graworthy, J. Glifford, 7-10-0. R. Rows of States, 7-2 Bishops Pawn, G-1 Harry Hotspir, 6-1 So And So, O-1 Joint Venture, 12-1 Rajmsm), 20-1 Forworthy, 33-1 Mastership. 5-3 Governor's Last, 7-2 Bishope Pawn, 5-1 Harry H Uncle Sing, 10-1 Joint Venture, 12-1 Rajmeth), 20-1 Year 2.30 FRESH FIELDS HOLIDAYS CHASE (Handicap; £10,512; JERGER FIELDS HULLDAIS CHASE (HERRICES): 110,512;

3m 118yd)

11121-1 Diamond Edge (CD) F. Walvoyn, 9-12-0 W. Smills

110-12 King Weasel, M. H. Emsterby, 8-11-8 J. J. O'Nelli

0-09-24 Ties Contest, D. Moore, 12-11-5 J. J. O'Nelli

1-00-17 Older Way, O. Carter, 12-10-10 J. King

11-1117 Raffi Nelson, N. Henderson, 7-10-10 S. Smith Scales

43-2p13 Modesty Porbids (C), J. Gifford, 8-10-8 G. Kinane 4

331411 Parkhause (C), Mrs M. Ession, 11-10-7 Mr M. Bakters 7

4 Diamond Edge, 11-1 Raffi Nelson, 4-1 King Wessel, 6-1 Tied Cottage,

Modesty Forbids, 12-1 Parkhouse, 20-1 Otter Way. 3.0 SCILLY ISLES CHASE (Novices: £4,279: 2m) 3.30 OTELEY HURDLE (£3,856 : 2m)

121-131 Birds Ness (CD), R. Turnell, 10-12-2 .... 10-2122 Connaught Ranger (D), F. Rimell, 6-10-2 . 41111-2 Pollardstown (D), S. Mellor, 5-13-3 ..... 211132 Temples (D), Mr. D. Oughton, 6-11-0 .... 4 Pollardstown, 2-1 Birds Nost, 9-3 Connaught Ranger, 4.0 RIPLEY HURDLE (4-y-o novices: £959: 2m) J. King
W. Smith,
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M. Davies
G. Hughes
J. Collins 3
T. O'Notil
R. Rows
Perrett 7
Forsyth 4
S. Gracey 4
A. Turnell
R. Linley

#### Sandown Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.30 Prince of Bermuda, 2.0 Govenor's Last. 2.30 RAFFI NELSON is specially recommended. 3.0 Beacon Light. 3.30 Birds Nest. 4.0 Cranbourne Tower.

Sandown Park results DAHOOWIL PARK POSINS

1.50 (1.32) FEBRUARY MURDLE
(DIV 1 Novices; £931; 2m)

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The Goldstone, . M. Revus (6-1 2
Huslest Prince, P. Blacker (16-1) 2
ALSO RAN; 100-50 Garby, 8-1
Killer Shart (7: 10-1 Bombardler, 11-1
High Pastures, 13-1 Country Quiz,
20-1 Pillager, Pithern 14th; Veronales,
25-1 Hever, 33-1 Bayhan Sir Varden,
So-1 Arrohes, Brave Spirit, Bronze
Insale, Amagnac IV, Matyana, Warray
Partner, Republis, Nicolone, Pophann
Led, Rowden Rascal, Topkin, Tyne, 27

TOTE; win, 38-1 blayes, 15-2 fun. 760; win. 589; places, 15p. 25p. 49p. Dual F. £1.05, C5F - £5.26. T. Forster at Wantage, 'al. 2'al. 2.0 (3.1) PARK CHASE (Hardicap. £1.648; 2m)
PROFESSOR PLUM, b g Cantab—
Sweet Counter (Mrs C Matheson)
7-13-8 Mr T Thomson Jones

Wily Talke. 4. Brown (12-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Fury Seirit (4th: 9-2 Foreign Legion, 15-2 Mood Music (f. 20-1 April Seventh (9). 7 can. 7 Can.
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18 Tan. 5.0 (3.5) WILFRED JOHNSTONE GHASE hanters 5587; 25m; KING KONG il, b e. by Prince Parle—Claro II (P. Hudson). 11-12-5 Mrs R. White (15-2); 1 Souther MigNie

By Michael Seely 1.15 Mercy Flight. 1.45 Fox Run. 2.15 Tumbler. 2.45 Greenways. 3.15 Richmede. 3.45 General Dew. ATSUC SEG (U. 1. Le ran. 1901 (1).

2.50 (2.31) FAIRMILE CHASE (Handicap): 22.477. 301.

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New Formula, P. Barron (5-12.)

Miss Melita. S. Smith Eccles

ALSO RAN: 11-2 Shermson (4p).

9.1 Memyboy (U). 11-1 Double Bridal

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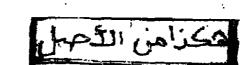
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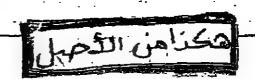
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ALSO RAN: 14-1 Exuberant. 16-1
Never Rock (4th. Tara's Festival (10-1)
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S5p. Dual F: 46p. CSF: 34p. P.
Hudson al Minchead, 7i. 30i.

3.50 (3.35) WAVENDON HURDLE
(handicap: £1.576: 2m 5i)
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Vine—Ross Point (1. Kerman.
9.11-9 . C. Kinane (5-2 Rv) 1
Palenstring . M. Richards (23-1) 2
Regel Caskes . K. Haywart (23-1) 2
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# **BUSINESS NEWS**



Personal investment and finance. pages 18 and 19

Stock markets FT Ind 447.8 down 5.5 FT Gilts 66.45 down 0.82

Sterling \$2.2740 up 70 points Index 72.0 up 0.2

Dollar

Index 85.2 up 0.1

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#### - IN BRIEF-

## Barclays ank pow step nearer ured or to US acquisition

Barclays Bank has won the approval of the New York Federal Reserve Bank to buy 31 branches with deposits of \$365m (£161.5m) from the Bankers Trust Company. The acquisition will boost the total assets of the Barclays New

York Corporation, which is a wholly, owned subsidiary of Barclays International, to close to \$1,000m (nearly £443m).

-A spokesman for Barclays noted that the bank still needs the approval of the New York state banking authorities to go shead with the branch acquisi-

Sanctions rejected British businessmen have

fions by Britain against the Soviet Union after the invasion of Afghanistan. A Confederation of British Industry delegation, led by its president Sir John Greenborough has made its views clear at a meeting with Lord Carrington at the Foreign Office yesterday.

#### New bank chairman



Signer Rinaldo Ossola, above, former Foreign Trade Minister, has been appointed chairman of Banco di Napoli, a publicly controlled bank and the largest in the South of Italy.

#### Ford raises prices

Ford is to raise its car prices in Britain by an average of 4 per cent from Monday. The company said the increases, which follow average rises of 3.8 per cent in November and 4.88 per cent lest June, reflected rises in production

#### Aerospace recovery

Britain's aerospace exports recovered in November after a two month drop after last year's engineering strike. The total £110,939,000 for the month, bringing the eleven-month total for January-November 1979 to £1,156,924,000.

#### Coal Board grants

The National Coal Board is to receive grants totalling 7.27 million units of account (£4.8m) to help finance research into coal mining and processing technology, the European Commission announced yesterday.

Dow Jones average up The Dow Jones industrial average rose 5.63 to close at 881.48. The volume of shares traded on the New York stock exchange fell to 47 milion from the 65.9 million traded on Thursday, The \$SDR was 1.3188 and the £SDR was

# Recall of £500m special deposits postponed to aid money markets

Financial Correspondent.

The Bank of England is to defer next week's planned recall of special deposits from the banking system to avoid aggravating the present shortage of funds in the money markets.

Its decision means that the banks will retain some £500m for their everyday use that they would otherwise have had to place back on deposit at the Bank of England next Friday. Arrangements for the recall of a further 1500m on March 7 still stand, however, and the funds originally scheduled for recall next Friday will now

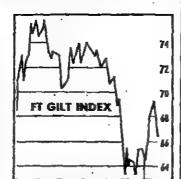
become due on April 8. The Bank's move does not represent any relaxation of monetary policy. It is simply a temporary measure to prevent short-term interest rates from going sky-bigh during a period in which money is flowing strongly out of the banking system into the hands of the

Exchequer. On top of the normal seasonal flow of tax payments to the Exchequer, the private sector has also been a heavy buyer of government securities over recent weeks. Large tax payments are expected to continue through most of February, while "calls" on government stock already sold will require financing to the tune of £500m.

In addition, subscribers to last October's sale of BP shares

will have to put up a further £170m next week to complete payment for their stock. The recent shortage of funds in the money markets has meant that the Bank of England has

needed to give large assistance to the discount houses on a regular basis, with the daily be)p : £1,000m. sometimes exceeding



appreciably more on an overnight basis.

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The fact that next Friday's recall of special deposits has been put back to April 8 does not automatically mean that there is no possibility of the Bank of England's minimum lending rate (MLR) being cut before that date.

Were there sufficient signs of improvement in the underlying monetary situation over the next few weeks, the Chancellor could still decide to cut MLR around the time of his Budget on March 26.

However, financial markets re increasingly uncertain as to how soon they should expect an MLR reduction and this uncertainty, coupled with the con-tinuing high cost of borrowed short-term funds, led to a sharp increase in Treasury Bill rates at yesterday's weekly tender.

Three month bills were allotted at an average rate of discount of 16.1858 per cent compared with 15.7443 per cent the previous Friday. Uncertainty over the future

fig.000m.

Inavirably short-term interest rates abased of next Tuesday's bank-rates have been extremely firm, with money for periods of up to three months costing at least 17 per cent and on some days

course or interest rates, abxiety shead of next Tuesday's banking figures for the January banking month and continuing indigestion after January heavy stock purchases, again weighed on prices yesterday. course of interest rates, anxiety

Restriction agreed for this year but voluntary limit on shipments doubtful in 1981

# Japan may end curbs on car sales to UK

Japanese car makers are now almost certain to impose a voluntary restriction on shipments of vehicles to the United Kingdom this year but are likely to scrap their policy of restraint in 1981.

This has emerged from the meeting in Mexico earlier this week between leaders of Britain's Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders and facturers Association.

The Japanese made clear their dissatisfaction with res-trictions that have held back their share of the British market to under 11 per cent for

the past four years. According to the SMMT yes-

It was thought significant that the Japanese used the word "hoped" in their statement, implying that 1980 would be the last year that a voluntary re-straint would be agreed. The Japanese importing com-

panies in the United Kingdom have become increasingly voci-ferous about the effect that restrictions have had on the market. They claim, that although the restraint was agreed originally to help British Leyland recover its marhet position, European manufacturers have taken advantage of BL's problems and have mounted aggressive and unrestricted sales campaigns in Britain\_

Imported cars now account terday the Japanese association for almost 60 per cent of the said after the talks that it new car market in the United hoped the country's car manufacturers would continue to be 1975. Last week the largest of

the companies importing Japanese cars, Datsun UK, launched a controversial advertising campaign protesting that the restriction had only benefited continental competitors. Datsun dealers, it said, had been the scapegoats for the high level of imports into Britain. Industry leaders in Britain

have admitted that Japan has been singled out but have stressed that trade in motor products between the United Kingdom and the rest of Europe is far greater than that between the United Kingdom and Japan. In 1979, European manufacturers bought British components worth £500m compared with Japanese purchases of less than £10m.

Although there has been no direct pressure on the Japanese from the British Government to restrict car exports to the United Kingdom, it has been made clear that action could be

on an industry-to-industry basis.

While the Japanese carmakers' trade association appears to hear association appears to be a second to the s makers' trade association appears to have agreed to a fifth year of restraint, it is significant that there has been no mention of a restriction of mar-

ket share.

Britain's new car market this year is widely forecast to fall from last year's record 1.7 million units to 1.5 million and may be even lower. If Japanese shipments were based on their capturing a market share similar to that of 1979 their actual cales in Britain would be likely sales in Britain would be likely to drop for the first time. Total sales of Japanese cars in Britain last year were 185,084. If the same level is repeated in 1980 it would represent more than 12 per capt of the expected

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John Earle writes from Rome : The Italian Government has set

Iran follows Saudi oil

up a working group to look into

the difficulties of the nation's car industry. Its members from the ministries of industry, budget, labour and state-owned industry will investigate particularly the industry's loss of ground in Europe and ways of increasing its market share in the 1980s.

The two biggest manufac-turers are both going through adverse periods. Fiat, whose management emphasize that the financial situation remains sound, has been facing indus-rial strife and a wave of terrorism. Its share of the Italian market has fallen from rwo thirds in the 1960s to half.

The state-owned Alfa Romeo concern is trying to ensure its survival through an agreement under negotiation with Nissan provided government and union consent can be obtained to dismantling the present protective

## Rockwell pays £10m for stake in Serck

By Alison Mitchell

Rockwell International, the American aerospace and electronics giant paid almost £10m yesterday for a 29.7 per cent stake in the British valves group Serck, Rockwell bought the shares rapidly yesterday morning at 75p each in the stock market.

Although the group says it has taken the holding as an investment, and is looking for a "closer relationship" with Serck, there is speculation that Rockwell will make a full bid. The shares which started trad-

ing at 521p ended the day 17p higher at 691p. The net asset value of Serck, including deferred tex, amounts to 87.3p a share. As yet both sides are noncommittal on takeover pros-pects but a meeting between the two groups has been arranged

for next week.

At 75p Serck is capitalized at £32m. This compares with the £36m cash and share offer made three years ago by Associated Engineering—a bid which was not allowed by the Monopolies At that time Serck was gain-ing profit and was able to almost treble the dividend as a defence tactic. No such ploy will be available to the board at present because in December the group was forced to cut the

Pre-tax profit, in the year to September 30, 1979, fell from £5m to £1.6m and the group had to close the lossmaking tubes division. However, demand has picked up and forecasts for the current year, provided the group is not too badly affected by the steel sprike, are expected to recover to around expected to recover to around the £5m level.

Rockwell and Serck, which are in the same valves business have in the past been involved in joint ventures. In 1968 they set up Audco to market valves worldwide. Serck bought out Rockwell's share in 1972.

Mr Ronald Martin, chairman of Serck, said last night that the purchase of the holding had taken him by surprise and that the board would wait until after meeting Rockwell before deciding on any course of action.

#### John Brown sells entire holding in Westland By Philip Robinson

Engineering group John
Brown sold its entire 16.4 per
cent stake in Westland Aircraft
yesterday for £6.8m cash.
The 9.7 million shares went

through the market to a number of institutions at 70 p. a 7 per cent discount on the market price at 10 am yesterday. Westland's share price, down 31p after the deal to 74p, peaked last month at 81p following a strong profits recovery and an encouraging annual

John Brown held a shade over half the shares before the allowed its holding to be diluted and the 16.4 per cent stake was in the books at £4.6m.

John Maybew-Sanders, the John Brown chairman, said: "We have held around 16 per cent for about four or five years. It was always on the years. It was always on the cards that we would sell it and with the price its highest for some time it seemed the right time to sell. There was no other reason for it."

Figures were reiterated yesterday for John Brown's share holders in the group's Class I invester outlining the agreed.

circular outlining the agreed bid for American textile and plastics machinery group Les-sona Corporation for \$80m. sona Corporation (£35.2m), unveiled last week. Leesona's own balance sheet shows borrowings at \$6.3m and

The circular also shows for the first time the profits record of Leesons, for which John Brown is paving net asset

Six years ago the American group's profits were \$10.1m an sales of \$114m. That was the highest they reached until 1978 when the reorganization of its textile operations and the purchase of plastics group Egan Machinery took pre-tax profits from \$3.1m to \$10.6m.

Courtaulds

yarn plant

Couravids is to close com

pletely its polyester varn opera-tion in Northern Ireland in

yet another blow to the pro-vince's big synthetic fibre in-dustry resulting from inter-national over-capacity and in

particular cheap imports from

Eleventh-hour pleas from

unions and local politicians yes-terday failed to reverse the

management's decision to cease all polyester spinning at Cour-tauld's Carrickiergus, co Antrim, plantand texturizing at a satellite factory in Larne

Courtailds' polyester produc-tion had already been run down to only a fraction of its previous level with the redun-dancy of 590 Ulster workers last

September a move which included the complete closure

of a texturizing factory at Maydown near Londonderry.

At that time the company planned to continue a small-scale polyester operation in Ulster with a weekly output of only 53 tonnes. "From the

only 53 topnes. From the beginning this reduced opera-

tion was adversely affected by imports from the United States", a company spokesman

States", a company spokesman said. "The effect of these has continued and intensified and the forseeable future sales of

the new smaller unit are a maximum of only 30 tonnes a

week.
Closure will mean the lose of 124 staff and shop floor jobs

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By Robert Rodwell

he United States.

#### move with \$2.50 rise By Nicholas Hirst Energy Correspondent Iran has raised the price of its light crude oil by \$2.50 a barrel to a base price of \$31 with effect from yesterday. The new price will be applied

to all customers. As a result the average cost of the contracts, totalling 225,000 barrels a day, signed with Shell and British Perroleum will rise to \$32.50. Half of Iranian oil sold on contract is subject to a \$3 on contract is subject to a \$3 premium over the base price.

The Iranian move follows Saudi Arabia's decision to increase the price of its light crude oil, which is the same quality as the Iranian light, from \$24 to \$26 a barrel, in a second extense with

second attempt to restore unity to the Opec pricing structure.

Rises of 52 a barrel by Iraq,
Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Ostar, in the wake of the Saudi decision, have left the international oil market in as

the indecisive conclusion of Opec's meeting in Caracas, Venezuela, in December. By putting a further 50 cents

on the Saudi increase, Iran is tempting other countries to follow with similar adjustments of their own. Iran, however, has been considered as a maverick; not fitting into any of the pricing groups which have emerged over the past month.

Britain's oil companies are swaiting a decision on further price rises by the North African producers. Nigeria is charging \$30 a barrel. Libya an effective \$34.72 and Algeria an effective \$33.

It is thought that with spot market prices having fallen to between \$30 and \$33 some prices are already looking on Rises of 52 a barrel by Iraq,
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incease would be insupportable. Market anelysts expect it
would be more likely that a 52
rise might be put on the Libya
base price of \$30.

# Takeover Panel calls for meeting on St Piran

mining and property company, to attend a meeting between itself, St Piran, Gasco Invest-ments and other shareholders

bas formed a "concert party." Gasco Investments and various nominee shareholders in St Piran whereby he would con-trol 30 per cent of St Piran and therefore trigger off a bid under Rule 34 of the Takeover

Gesco Investments, of which Mr Raper is chairman, holds

1,000 shares in the company. Critics of St Piran's manage-ment claim that Mr Raper's hand extends to nominee companies in Luxembourg and Panama

A Takeover Panel investigation has been in progress since November. St Piran confirms that a meeting under the aus-pices of the Takeover Panel Mr Raper will be asked to fixed for January 18 was postcomment on whether or not he poned by mutual consent of the parties concerned.

Asked if he thought Mr Raper

would attend the March meeting, Mr Malcolm Stone, St Piran's chairman, said: "I would imagine he will make every effort to attend." Mr Stone, who is also managing director of Gasco, added that St Piran was consulting other 29.6 per cent of St Piran. But shareholders to obtain affidavits Mr Raper himself holds only that no "concert party" existed.

# Fed to keep tight grip on economy

From Our United States

Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board. assured Congress foday that America's monetary policy would remain tight until inflation was reduced. He warned the markets that declines in interest rates, which might occur due to weak credit de-mand, should not be seen as any essing in the Central Bank's policies. Mr Volcker told the joint

economic committee of Con-gress that he was still unsure whether or not the economy was now in a recession. He indicated that he would have liked to have seen a more restrictive budget than the one proposed by President Carter this week. He said there was a danger that increased military spending might boost the estimated 1981 budget deficit of \$16,000m (about £7,000m). Meanwhile, the Department of

Lebour announced an increase in unemployment here, but Dr Janet Norwood, the commissioner of the Bureau of Labour Statistics, stressed that "It would be premature on the basis of findings for a single month to conclude at this time that a major downturn (in the economy) is underway."

Unemployment rose in December by 340,000 to 6.2 per cent from 5.9 per cent in November. This marks the first time in 18 months that the rate has moved outside the range of

has moved outside the range of 5.7 to 5.9 per cent.

Mr Volcker suggested that tighter money policies appeared to be raising expectations of price stability, but these expectations, had been weakened again by oil price increases. He said he was satisfied with the way money supply growth way money supply growth appeared to be developing.

#### Two-way viewdata systems announced by NEB subsidiary Technology Editor A change of name and an im-

pressive new product announced yesterday by Insac Viewdata, the National Enterprise Board's subsidiary which develops and sells improved ver-sions of the Post Office's Prestel television-based information system. The new name is Aregon, derived from the Greek for

helper and judged appro-

priate to a company concerned easy-to-use with systems. The change marks the final step in the separation of the two parts of the Insac operation software products (now handled by Insac Proproducts ducts) and viewdata systems. The new product is a range of viewdata systems known as the IVS-3, which has been developed for Aregon by developed Systems Designers Ltd (SDL) of Camberley, Surrey. It will be marketed in the United Kingdom by SDL and overseasexcept the United States-Aregon International, one of the two main operating companies

within the Aregon Group. The Post Office's Prestel is The Post Office's Prestel is as a multi-purpose of essentially a one-way information service in which the user, sation, handling at home or in the office, uses standard forms, mathe telephone to call up the reports and graphics. required pages, held in a central computer, which are displayed on a television screen. A typical IVS-3 system as intended would account for about the company uses and Orders have already be



Alan Haimes, manager of Systems Designers' Viewdata Division, demonstrates the new IVS-3 viewdata system.

permits the user to insert as well as to consult information on the files. Thus it can be used as a multi-purpose communicahandling messages, management

by customers in Belgium, Switz zerland and New Zealand. As part of Aregon International's European marketing, the com companies in Amsterdam and

Mr John Pearce, architect of Insac and now managing direc tor of the Aregon Group, said yesterday that about £4m had been invested to date by Insac/

# Mr du Cann resigns from Cannon

tive member of Parliament for Taumon, gives his reason for leaving the company as pres-sure of public and other duties. However, it has not yet been

board have discussed cash payments to them but these still have to be finalized. Any gratuity payments will be reported in the annual report

# made clear whether he will be

receiving any compensation for loss of office.

The new managing director
Mr F. Weles, said yesterday:
"All the people who are going Mr du Cann, the Conserva- have got good reasons. The

and accounts. Altogether six directors are

resigning from the Cannon board, leaving a total of seven-Cannon was taken over last year (1979) by the Cazadian group Cascade for £9.6m cash.

Government cuts back on business questionnaires

# Companies welcome loss of form

Government has concludedafter almost 18 months of soulsearching-that it can muddle along with less information about industry. It means that small businesses will be relieved of some of the burden of official form-filling. Whitehall officials have just

completed a review of their statistical inquiries. They discovered that, not counting the Department of Employment's Department of Employment's annual census on jobs, 241 such surveys required the cooperation of small companies.

Each year, the companies which for the purposes of Government definition employ fewer than 200 people were

sent more than 1.5 million forms to be filled. It has now been decided that 15 will be discontinued and small businesses will be excluded from a further five surveys.

The number sounds—and is—

small. But, yesterday, Mr David Mitchell, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of In-dustry, explained that it means that the number of forms sent annually to small businesses would be reduced by about 277,000, or 18 per cent.
Moreover, he said in a Parliamentary answer, a further 342,000 forms, representing 22 per cent of the total, had been

simplified to some extent ".

ment is looking separately at the possibility of asking small businesses fewer questions. De-partment of Industry officials are still collecting details of the inquiries which are being abandoned. One survey now certain not to go ahead is the 1981 re-

told the Small Business Bureau that a column of questionnaires as high as Big Ben had already been prevented from landing on the desks of small businessmen because of rigorous scrutiny and righter control

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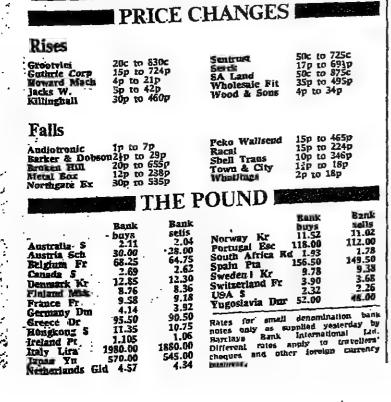
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# required pages, held in a A typical IVS-3 system with central computer, which are displayed on a television screen. Aregon's system is intended for internal company use and Orders have already been placed.

Mr Edward du Cann, who has been chairman of Cannon Assurance for the past seven years, has resigned, along with several other directors. He is to be replaced by Mr Afred Singer a nonexecutive director Singer, a non-executive director of Guinness Mahon and a former chairman of the Trustees the Post Office Pension

The Department of Employ

at Larne and 96 at Carrickfersion was announced as Herr Willi Haferkamp, the EEC commissioner for external affairs, was expected in the province to assess the situation in the synthetic fibres industry for luminals. tail shops census.

Last November, Mr Mitchell

Peter Norman writes: The European Commission has de-cided that the sharp rise in imports of low-cost fibres from the United States into Britain and Italy is a regional problem and will there-fore not propose Community John Huxley

# 'Take it or leave it' attitude by insurers

Offices Association, last year leave it attitude" saw "a substantial demand for life policies taken out in con-nexion with house purchase". and the type of home you wish Although there are no exact to buy. Further provisos are figures showing just how much that the total advance should insurance companies' way, it is age of the price. Sometimes a valuable source of business.

Topping up " mortgages. offered by a limited but cent is more usual, increasing number of life But this can be further reoffices as a means of financing duced by both the maximum house purchase, also allow insurance companies to increase endowment business, though in a small way.

Insurance companies will top up a loan when you are still short of funds after obtaining a maximum building society mortgage. But it is not your need for an extra loan that the insurance company has in mind in offering these mortgages. It basically a public relations, or goodwill, exercise with insurance brokers and a way of drumming up further endow-ment assurance business for rhemselves. Do not drop into your local office; you will prob-ably be referred back to an insurance broker or agent.

The amount of money that insurance companies are pre-pared to lend in "top up" mortgages is limited, although "substantially" up on last year. Normally, investment managers can find more lucrative homes for their funds, although few will sneeze at the 6-17 per cent they can get on home loans at present.

The strong demand for mort-gages combined with restricted funds means that insurance companies can dictate the terms these levels.

How much they will lend business house purchasers put not exceed a particular percentthis is as much as 90 per cent, but a less generous 75-80 per

> sum the insurance company will lend—which can vary between £5,000 and £25,000 depending on the office concerned-and the percentage of the building society loan that the office is prepared to offer. This is often as little as one third, although some offices will match the building society loan in the right circumstances.

Interest rates charged by life offices for top-up loans are normally 1 or 2 per cent above the building society recom-mended rate of 15 per cent. But as building societies often charge higher rates of interest for larger advances, it does not necessarily mean that the borrower will be paying more than if the whole mortgage were funded by a building society.

About half the offices in this field charge a fixed rate of interest throughout the period of the loan rather than reviewing it when the general level of interest rates alters. Taking out a top-up mortgage when interest rates are high can prove an expensive exercise. It may not be possible, but try to avoid a fixed rate contract at

the Life money, adopting a "take it or a top-up mortgage. The insurance company insists that both the building society loan and its own is repaid through its own endowment assurance policy. This is understandable. Less forgiveable is the fact that because life offices want to maximize their premium income on this sort of business, they will not allow the whole package to be covered by a lowcost endowment policy, the now traditional cheap way of financing an endowment mortgage.

In some cases the offices will not even let you pay off the building society loan through a low-cost endowment You therefore have the choice of financing the entire loan by a with-profits endowment—at a cost which can be prohibitive for some borrowers—or a non-profit type. This policy demands smaller monthly payments, but has little place in financial planoing in inflationary times, especially if the mortgage is redeemed early.

Some offices insist that their part of the loan is financed through a non-profit endow-

The table shows the monthly costs of a typical package, covered by different insurance

Unfortunately, there is little choice when it comes to which insurance company will advance the funds and the policies that have to be taken out for the plan. It is a question of pay up or go without.

Svlvia Morris

#### MORTGAGE PAYMENTS

Monthly cost of a \$20,000 endowment mortgage over 25 years, assuming a \$13,000 advance from a building society, plus a 27,000 top-up mortgage from an insurance company.

Gross cost of building soc	nety mortgag	e.	Gross	cost of insur	ence company	martgege.
Insurance policy	interest	insurance premium*	interest	insurance premium	Total gross cost	Total net cost to basic tate tax payer
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With-profits endowment	165.21	49.77	99.17	27.03 .	341.18	248.43
Low-cost endowment	1 <b>6</b> 5.21	23.77	99.17	Ť	315.10(a) 303.84(b)	223.88(a) 217.62(b)
Non-profit endowment	165.21	29.71	99,17	15.69	309.78	221.64

Assumes insurance policy taken out with Legal & Getsral by man aged 30 next birthday.

Low-cost endowment not available to top-up mortgages, see (a) and (b). (a) With-profit endowment used to cover top-up mortgage. (b) Non-profit endowment used to cover top-up mortgage.

#### Grouse

intended to make the transfer of property more simple, efficient, speedy and cheap. More than 80 years later registration is compulsory in areas inhabited by about three quarters of the population—yet it is quite possible for transfer costs to be lower in unregistered areas than in those where registration applies.

The Royal Commission on Legal Services noted, quite complacently, that registration during transfer could cause the charges to exceed those that would apply to unregis-

Until January, 1973, when statutory scales of fees for solicitors' conveyancing work were abolished, in the case of a £25,000 house the fee in respect of registered land would have been little more than half that in respect of unregistered land. The difference in costs was sharply reduced,

Land registration began in 1897 and was and in some cases eliminated, as soon as scale fees were abolished.

Solicitors claim that the need to investiate title is no longer as significant a factor in costs as it was.

It leaves the question for whose benefit land registration is intended? The Land Registry fee on a £30,000 house is at present £47 on first registration (one quarter of all transactions at present involve first registration) and £74 on every subsequent transfer (more than half the total of transactions involve paying land registry fees at the

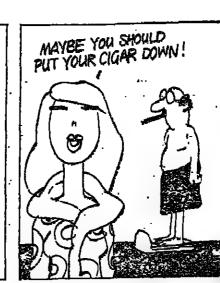
Almost all the benefits that this money buys goes to the solicitors, by simplifying their work without appreciably lessening their charges. Little wonder consumers are not consulted when it is decided what new areas should be designated for compulsory

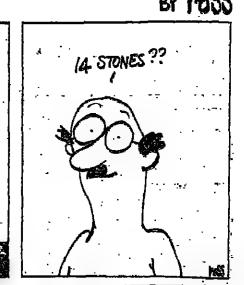
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National Savings

#### Old issues for new? Check your timing if you want to switch

On Monday the 19th issue of National Savings Certificates goes on sale barely a year after the 18th issue found its way cu to Post Office counters. Both mature after five years, but, whereas £10 in the 18th issue become worth £15, in the 19th the value will be £16.35.

Does this mean that savers should instantly transfer their allegiance from the old issue to the new?

For most long-term savers who are prepared to stick the full five years with the naw issue, the answer will he "yes". provided that the first anniver sary of your holding of the 18th issue has passed. It seems a pay to throw away the chance of a 5 per cent increase in the value of your holding for the sake of being first in the queue to buy the latest issue.

Although interest on National Savings Certificates is quoted as though it were an acquait of accumulated interest (it is not paid like a dividend but used to increase the capital value) does not progress at an even pace. In the live years the rate of interest in fairly small; in the latter years in-terest is peld at more frequent intervals giving a fairly high annual total.

After effectively lying fallow for the first eleven months at the end of the first year each £10 unit in the 18th issue be-comes worth £10.50. If you had the maximum holding of £1,500 which you now wish to transfer into the 18th issue, remember that you need only cash in 143 of the 10 units to provide you with £1,500 and a little spare change. The remaining seven units could be left to earn their keep in the old issue.

However, if you originally bought the 18th issue with the intention of using the maturity value for a specific purpose in 1984—school fees, for example—you are probably better off staying with it. In 1934 the value of the 19th Issue £10 units will only be £14.10 compared will only be £14.10, compared with £15 for the earlier issue. Although the value of the cur-

rent issue of National Savings Certificates is displayed in Post Offices, the value of previous issues is not. Ask for form P 156 W, which lists the value of all certificates issued since 1916. It is a good idea to get

National Saving Certificates child

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morths except for year one.

one when you buy your next batch of certificates and keep it with them for future refer

The new issue is expected to sell well, although whether it will outstrip the "super 16th" which in three months (Decem-Ber, 1976 to March, 1977) took in 5900m, is another matter.

The 19th, with its compound interest rate of .10.33 per cent, equivalent to 14.76 per cent gross for basic rate raxpayers, has a marginal edge over gilt-edged securities, but is offering slightly less than the grossed-up building society share rate of 15 per cent and a lot less than building society term shares. The rate, however, is fixed for five years, unlike the flexible building society terms and will look generous if rates in general live up to ex pectations and begin to fall ater in the year.

Meanwhile, the Government has until the end of this month to decide the future of the Index-Linked Retirement Issue of National Savings Certificates. For some reason, the prospectus for this issue actually states that three months' notice is required of a change in terms.

This unique wording, at least as far as National Savings Certificates are concerned, means that an announcement about the conversion or extension of terms for "Granny Bonds" is required at the end that the Government would not

Margaret Stone

# Unsigned codicil to a will

In her last will dated July, 1966, my mother-in-law be-queathed a picture which had been in her family for some generations, and thought to be a minor old master, to a well-known gallery. She also left a house property in her owner-ship to my husband, her only

Just before her death, shortly after this date, and while in hospital, she sent for her solici-tor and asked him to make a cor and asked min to make a codicil leaving the picture to my husband. We have a letter from the solicitor stating that this was the case but she died before signing it. The solicitor led us to believe that the codiil therefore became invalid and the picture had at least to be offered to the gallery.

Having seen the picture and restored it. the gallery accepted it with pleasure. We always feit this rather hard, particularly appears for which pleasure is an expectation. larly as the property mentioned above bad, without our know-ledge been the subject of an essential repairs order which not been complied and so it was demolished. Thus we lost out all ways.

My aucry is whether after all this time it would be worthture. As a national English bank were the executors was the liability theirs? Their representative asked the gallery whether they wanted it; should the solicitor have espoused our cause? Have we in fact any redress at all after all this time? (W.S., Scotland.) Under English law the bank

as executor was obliged to offer the picture to the trustees of the gallery to which it was be-queathed. The trustees could have declined to accept it, for example, if they thought it un-suitable for exhibition. If reected by the gallery it would have fallen back into the residue of your mother-in-law's Had the trustees been in-

formed of the codicil leaving

the picture to your husband, they might have seen fit to honour the last wishes of the deceased, even though she did not survive long enough to sign ir. If you or your solicitors contact the trustees they may still be prepared to reconsider whether they wish to take advantage of the technical legal position although they might consider that as trustees of a charity they must insist on the gallery's legal entitlement.

Had the deceased's solicitor known she was unlikely to survive long enough to sign a codicil, he ought to have arranged for a donatio mortis causa, that is, the picture to be handed by the deceased to her Readers

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John Drummond, Vera Di Palma and Ronald Irving

son on her death bed. Failure so to have advised the deceased may give your husband a legal claim against the solicitor. However, such a claim would have to be brought within six years of her death,

Following yet again on your informative reply about rent monies deposited with estate agents what is the position on reserve funds so deposited?

I own the lease of a flat in a building and, as is common practice, the various tenants contribute to a reserve fund against the repairs necessary every four years or so. When the maximum for the reserve was only £1,000 it was not a very material issue, but at present rates of contribution our reserve will rise to £10,000 or so before being used

I have been informed that the moules are paid into "our normal clients' account which does not carry interest". I dare say what you said in the first paragraph of your reply about deposits is applicable here but there is also the angle security. If the estate agent is managing only 100 properties similar to ours the average amount in the clients' account for reserve fund purposes alone is going to be in the £1m bracket-which makes one think. (GMW, London, SW1.)

Reserve funds contributed to by tenants for repairs or re-newals to the fabric of a block of flats (or its common parts) are not the funds of the landlord but are to be held by him fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the tenants. Consequently the landlord is duty bound (just as a trustee is) to ensure that interest is earned on those reserve funds. If his agents responsible to make good the loss of interest.

I arranged to surrender my endowment policy in August, 1979, at which point the sur-render value was £1,551. My solicitor says that the policy document has been lost in the post, and negotiations are still going on to claim the money. I should have had over £80 interest by now if I had received the money in August: should not the assurance society pay the interest to date? (Dr PVN, London, N1).

An endowment policy, being an original document, ouser to be sent by recorded post, so it may be your solicitor who is responsible for your loss of inrerest if he sent it by ordinary post. In any case he ought to have advised you to apply at once (within 14 days) for a duplicate when it became clear

the policy was missing.
Alternatively you might in-sist that the assurance society should pay you interest on the

of your money.
Ordinarily the amount payable under a policy does not carry interest as a matter of course. Nevertheless, you might be enritled to interest from the society on "general principles".

If there is no stipulation about interest in the policy itself, you could draw the society's attention to the court's power to sward you interest under the Law Reform Act 1934, for the period payment is withheld.

If the maximum benefits which a senior executive can take under a pension scheme depend on current annual remuneration is it, possible for any "fringe benefits" to be included so as to increase "remuneration" for this purpose? (G.W., Weymouth.)

Besides salary, commission and bonuses, other taxable benefits provided by an employer can be included for this purpose. Here, one can think of the use of a company car, or the use of company, accommodation. Also, the cost of medical treatment insurance (such as Bupa or PPP) can be included if the employer meets the cost.

When calculating the maximum retirement benefits for funding purposes, the Inland Revenue allows an estimate of final remuneration to be com-pared with the estimated benefits emerging under a pension contract. Current remuneration can be increased by 85 nor cent each year, compound, to retirement age so as to take into neglect to place those funds on account both cost of living and deposit the landlord is himself promotion increases in earnings.

investor's week

#### The market dithers on steel strike worries

fussed and we fretted this week. But did we, under the lengthening shadows of the steel strike and the budget on March 26, do anything else?

wait and see. The FT index moved from 452.4 to 447.8. City folk are no longer nonchalant about steel. At the start the strike could be shrugged off. There was plenty

Of course. We decided to

of steel in stock up and down the country. But soon steel will run out. Then, if no deal is fixed, industry in general and BL (Leyland to most people) will

The trouble is that the Ciry wants it both ways. It fears the inflationary cost of a surrender to the steelmen. It also wants the British Steel Corporation and its paymaster, the Government, to keep industry run-ning. Eventually, it will pro-bably be granted this last wish. But this will not be good for gilt-edged stocks or shares.

Meanwhile, unease grips the gilt-edged market. It is not a case of indigestion after the previous week's mistakes in tendering for government stock. The Chancellor has obviously not got government borrowing under control.

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181p 121p Vaux

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148p Tricentrol

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131p 75p Allied Textile

126p Ladbroke

315p Sotheby PB

MAIN CHANGES OF THE WEEK

Rives

Falls

Value-added tax revenue is coming in too slowly; the EEC is not obliging Mrs Thatcher over cuts in our contributions; and the problem remains that if Sir Geoffrey Howe's Britain produces one per cent less than Mr Healey's, and spends one per cent less in the public sector, the borrowing requirement does not fail. The City wants the Government to try harder. .

For solece, investors had little in the way of companies reporting to distract them, save for BAT, whose profits were lowered by a strong pound, and Associated Dairies, which earned interim profits of £22.5m against £15m, but before starting another battle in the gro-

we marvelled at Mr Gramam Ferguson Lacey's ability to pay about £41m for nearly a fifth of Loncho, but he has not got it yet; and two bid favourites nearly came good. Vaux Brew-eries got £21m for its Scottish outlets from Allied Breweries, but not a bid, while Scret, shot but not a bid; while Serck shot up on US Rockwell's purchase of a 30 per cent stake and request for talks about getting

9p to 98p Good yearly figs

25p to 495p US buying: inflation

14p to 150p Allied Brew's deal

11p to 117p Drug price cut fears

13p to 470p Drug price cut fears

12p to 238p Sleel strike; ley-offs

16p to 262p Sector profit-taking

180 to 1580 Int figs due Wed

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36p to 179p Brit Car Auctions stake

Law

# When leasehold can be a better buy

The vast majority of flats and maisonettes in England and Wales are leasehold, so that the tenant is entitled to stay there for a fixed number of years only. Admittedly, when his lease comes to an end be usually has the right to an extension by virtue of the Rent Acts; but, even so, a flat or maisonette held on a short lease, say three or five years, is seldom salable. Nor is it easy to borrow on a short lease. The key to the problem is the length of the repayment period. Generally a building society will reject a lease which has less than 30 year to run where the borrower requests a repsyment period of 20 years.

On the other hand, a borrower who can repay over 10 years will usually be able to get a loan on a 30-year lease. The normal rule of thumb is that the lender cery price war. We marvelled at Mr Graham will want at least 20 years plus whatever period is sought for repayment. No matter how desirable the property, such a safety margin is needed in case the building society has to take possession and sell the flat in the event of non-payment.

On the other hand, a flat with a long lease of, say, 50 or 99 years, is a valuable asset. In general, the longer the lease, the more it is worth and the easier it is to borrow on the strength of it.

Buying a flat is much more complicated than buying a freehold house, which is unlikely to be subject to more than the odd restrictive covenant or two. Leases are almost invariably complex, sometimes virtually unintelligible.

the trouble to discuss a lease in detail with the prospective avoid this chore. They simply send a copy and invite him to raise queries only on the parts he does not understand.

For the layman one of the most mysterious clauses relates to provide. to forfeiture. It gives the landlord the right to forfeit the are not necessarily indicative lease and re-take possession if of next year's. The danger for rent is unpaid for 21 days or an incoming tenant is that he more or if the tenant has command walk straight into paying mitted a breach of covenant. towards the cost of a new lift Lawyers explain that practice this clause is seldom



The longer the lease of a flat or maisonette the more valuable the asset.

strictly enforceable because the court will always extend the period stipulated in the lease so as to give the tenant relief from forteiture provided he carries out his obligations within a reasonable time.

In any case, apart from rent in arrear, he will always be sent a prior warning notice in the statutory form, before court proceedings. The sting in the tail of many leases lies in the heavy service

charges which the landlord is Few lawyers these days take entitled to levy in addition to be trouble to discuss a lease the rent. These are not itemised in the lease itself and yary from buyer. The photocopying year to year. They represent the machine has enabled them to particular flar's share of the particular flar's share of the cost of repair and upkeep of the entire building-its common read it through himself and to parts, lifts, lighting, porterage, raise queries only on the parts central heating and all the other services and amenities which the landlord undertakes

Last year's service charges

can only be uncovered by careful inquiry of the managing agents. Often the people who best know what is in the wind are the porters. At first glance, a freehold flat appears to be a better

investment than a leasehold because (a) it is owned in perpetuity; (b) there is no rent to pay; and (c) it cannot be forfeited for breach of obliga-Surprisingly, freehold flats are far less common in England than in Scorland. This is due to an historical anomaly of English law which says that positive covenants, which involve the

expenditure of money, are not

hinding on a freehold. This means that anyone buying a freehold flat in England can ignore repairing covenants with mpunity. It came as a shock to Mrs Eve Robinson when both the Halifax and the Abbey National turned down her application for mortgage on a freehold flat. Our regulation manual forbids lending on freehold flats and

maisonettes," she was solemnly in or a new roof

om This sort of latent liability of the Habiax, she learnt that Telephoning the head office

a freehold flat could be hazardous investment, besides being an undesirable security for the building society itself.
"You cannot be sure that the other flat owners in the block will carry out repairs. If your neighbour in the flat upstairs or downstairs lets his flat get into a delapidated condition and you cannot make him carry out repairs, you are in trouble".

Parliament has ignored long-standing recommendation of the Law Commission to change the law to make positive covenants binding on a freehold. Consequently, while freehold flats are common north of the border and in the EEC, they are looked upon with disfavour in England and Wales, except by certain housing associations, There is one exception. Where

a freehold house has been divided into two flats, one of which is let on a long lease, most societies will lend on security of the flat which remains and which is still freehold, since it comprises the original freehold of the entire

Ronald Irving |

#### Birth of Sticklepath's own investment club

In the Dartmon Globe & Henry's wife, and Mr Kevin Argus's latest disparch from Luddite. Allied Elderberry Sticklepath, a glimmer of light can be seen at the end of the tunnel. It is now revealed that this whole elaborate pantomime has been staged to introduce the formation of the Great Grimpen Mire Investment Club, whose exploits will be regu-larly chronicled in these pages

Under the headline " Bitterly fought referendum at Sticklepath: limited success for Grog-Beyington faction", the article Beyington taction, the arrite continues: "Sticklepath, in the grip of election fever, was the scena of something of a setback for supporters of Lieutenant-Colonel Rudolph Grog-Bevington, local Ailied Elder-berry Wines tycoon.

berry Wines tycoon.

"In the referendum held to decide the fate of the Great Grimpen Mire, although the colonel himself was elected to the investment club committee alongside his commercial col-league, Mr Reginald Pluckitt, chairman of the Dartmoor Building Society, none of his other close connexions will be "Unsuccessful candidates in-

cluded his personal assistant, Miss Gloria Darling Friend, Mr Uriah Stoat, his head keeper, and Mr Alistair Sibling, the company secretary of Alied Elderberry Wines. Miss Darling-Friend lost her deposit and burst into tears on hearing the result "Colonel Grog-Bevington had

an automatic ex-officio seat on the committee having been nominated by Elizabeth, Lady Baskerville, Sir Herry's morber, on her deathbod. The other two ev officio members are Lady (Elizabeth) Baskerville, Sir

members will now Officer Walter ('Wormwood') Scrubbs of HM Prison Dartmoor; Mr Brian Thrift, local manager of the Scottish Immanager of the Scottish Imperturbable Insurance Company; Mr Sam Spender, Sticklepath grage owner: Miss Agatha Sibling. Mr Alistair Sibling's aunt; Mrs Ada Blott, the village postmistress; and the Vicar of Sticklepath, the Rey Basil Quiche

Wines' shop steward, and local convenor of Nasti (National Association of Slack-diddlers,

Turn-creepers and Idle-bashers).

"The remaining committee

The election of the committce, which took place under the auspices of the Electoral auspices of the Electoral Reform Society, was held at the same time as the referendum to decide the fate of the Great Grimpen Mire itself. The village voted to sell the half of it that lies to the west of the dividing footpath for the sum of £100,000. The remaining half will be administered by the committee, which will consider its further sale in the course "The committee will also have the task of managing the

£100,000 arising from current transaction. Meanwhile, the west portion of the Mire will be mined for tin by purchasers, Great Rockall and Hongkong Mining Company. "Sticklepath may thus now look forward to a new era of turbulent prosperity, harias been pitch-forked into the unfamiliar world of investment and high finance."

Francis Kinsman

# Mergers mastermind

Mr Philip Court is that rare example of a building society man in a hurry. Aged 41, he joined the old Wolverhampton and District in 1969 when it had assets of £20m. He helped mestermind it through eleven mergers to become the £280m Midshires and, just when he was on the brink of moving on in search of new challenges, up popped the \$300m Town and Country with a merger pro

The enlarged T and C will be seventeenth in the movement's pecking order and Mr Court will be in charge—with little intention now of seeking pastures new. He is ambitious and wants a wider role in the building society movement and reckons that his new base could provide the stepping stone he

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# A good time to stop on board Ocean Transport?

because most people who ask brokers for a gamble do not want one. They want a share that doubles—and in doublequick time.

Here, such shares are nor normally on offer. Nor is insurance against losses. I hope naturally to give you the thrill of winning rather than losing, but from time to time even I nod.

However, as it happens, not lately. Indeed, I seem to be doing good by stealth. When play opened on November 17 Dunlop came in at 44p. They are now 59p.
Westland Aircraft appeared

on December 1 at 471p. They have climbed to 75p. Staveley took a bow on December 29 at that Ocean will maintain the

Good shares are not like fine wine, taking years to mature. If they do, they are bad shares. Naturally, I hope my selections come good before we age and that I can claim to have given no reader reason to quit.

The game, occasionally recorded in this column, is called "Double or Quits"; because it is meant for people who like their investing spiced with thrills.

Every share mentioned is a gamble on something nurning up-and the nature of the gamble is indicated with each recommendation.

If I seem to harp it is because most people who ask brokers for a gamble do not want one. They want a share that doubles—and in double.

When a game starts as well as this and I am sticking with these shares for they have a theone in gamble is over. Westland is the only one to have reported officially on its progress and it put my cautious gambling streak to shame.

I had hoped that it might make profits of fil.5m or more in the year to last September. In fact, Westland is the only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have a profit of filling it may be only one to have a the only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have a position of the only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have reported the only one to have reported officially on its progress and it may be only one to have reported of its only one to have reported of its only one to have any to

I first considered P & O, now visibly recovering from the exit from oil and Lord Inchcape's surgery. But this is the snag. The shares have visibly recovered, too, rising from last year's low of 71p to 114p, only a whisker away from the 1979.

But Ocean has only just left harbour. At 98p the shares have left the 83p low at the quay, but that is all. As recently as 1977 they were 264p, which illustrates life on

156p. Now they are 174p. final because it does not wish to damage its investment

standing; because its investment rival, P & O did so; and because business is getting bet-

also think that the impact the Trans-Siberian Railway of the Trans-Sibertan Automon Overseas Containers, in which Ocean has a big stake, Finally, the emerging cold war is altering the whole climate for world trade. West Africa, Ocean's speciality, is picking

ocean's speciality, is picking up briskly.

Meanwhile, there is a yield of more than 13 per cent to go on with if I am right. Anyway, all will be told in March when Ocean should report on 1979 with profits of film or so. But perhaps Ocean is not your sort of gamble. For once I will oblige you with another. Try United Dominions Trust, still in the Bank of England lifeboat, and at 43p not exactly climbing.

as the impression sinks in that interest rates are not coming Moreover, the next set of figures to be reported—for the year to next June—will be unextiting, arousing fears that a return to dividends will be postponed. But interest rates are nealth to the second of the secon down at once. postponed. But interest rates are probably dropping sharply are probably dropping snarply this year at some stage, inter-ests outside hire purchase are growing and the group could be propositioned one day.

Peter Wainwright

# EDITED BY MARGARET STONE FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

# Golds the one bright spot amid the gloom Westland Aircraft dipped 3p the leading light in an other

first leg of the account on a dull note vesterday, as the marker continued namer continued to be swamped by gloom and despon-

Equiries remained nervous

ahead of the Law Lords' judg-ment on the secondary picket-ing issue, in the steel strike, with jobbers continuing to mark-down prices. Gilis, too, had a worried look,

Percy Lane Group rose 1p to 29p. The 1979-80 low was 24p (a week ago) and the high 58p. More than 100,000 shares were taken off the market yesterduy on considerations, it is thought, of Lane's property potential. The group is capitalized at little more than E1m. The property at 1978 values was put at £2m.

with dealers reporting steady bouts of selling. Elsewhere, gold shares staged

a recovery as the bullion price rose \$27.50 to \$677.50 following steady overnight levels on the New York market and a certain amount of short cover, But oils continued to drift on fears of a general weakening of the oil price and despite news that the Kuwaities had raised their prices.

News that GEC had made a counter-bid for Decca, which in spite of forecasts along those lines, took the market completely by surprise, sending dealers scurrying back to the market from their various

do anything for the remainder of the market which still had to cope with the decision of the Law Lords to overrule Lord Denning's previous judgment. As a result equities continued to drift lower and the FT Index closed 5.5 down at 447.8. The sharp jump in the Treasury bill rate knocked even more of the stuffing out of gilts, which had already been worried by the fear that it could still be quite some time before interest rates began to fall.

Longs finished the day at the bottom, with falls of between 11 and 11 not uncommon, while shorts managed to finish about off the bottom with losses of about £\( \frac{1}{2} \) to £\( \frac{1}{2} \).

Leading industrials had a neglected look about them, the exception to the rule being Reed International which rose 4p to

Brigray Gp (I) Brit Amer & Gen (F) Colonial Secs (F)

GRA Prop (F) Idris Tin (F) Padley Fashion

Radley Fashion (F Radio Rentals (1)

Tanjong Tin (F)
Wholesale Fit (I)
H. Young (I)

and 8p were noted in ICI at pany.

1.35(1.24)

6.17(5.12b) 75.82(67.7)

—(—) 11.44(9.12) 1.98(1.72)

group, plunged 15p.

The theory among market men is that GEC, when the terms are announced, will probably make a cash bid, but what-

to do earlier. 201p, encouraged by some good figures earlier in the week. But elsewhere, falls of between 6p 69 p following Rockwell invest-ing in 30 per cent of the com-

376p, Glaxo at 470p, Fisons at 277p and Unilever at 454p.
The main news of the day concerned GEC's counter-bid for concerned GEC's counter-ind for Decca. The Decca shares were immediately suspended at 395p, up 5p in the ordinary, while the "A" were 4p lower at 340p. GEC dipped 5p on the news while Racal, which is currently making an agreed bid for the group clunged 15p.

ever happens it will probably prove expensive for Racal. Elsewhere in electricals, Muirhead jumped 10p to 205p after reports of a placing earlier in the week which began spetulation that Tyco Inc might have increased its stake to 20 per cent as it said it had intended to de explice. Shares of Serck leapt 17p to

Latest results

0.003 (0.001a)

0.09(0.19b) 21.69(13.86) 0.24(0.21)

1.49(0.84) 0.006(0.01a)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News di are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss; b 13 months; c Figures for both years are gross revenue.

Wholesale

By Our Financial Staff

Wholesale Fittings Company

continued on its improved growth tack in the first half

and boosted profits at the pre-tax level by 76 per cent.

The wholesale electrical dis-

tributor pushed profits from £847,000 to £1.49m and improved turnover by 25 per cent to £11.4m in the six months

to October 26, 1979. In the past

two years annual profits heve risen by more than 70 per cent.

The interim dividend has

been increased by 79 per cent

Growth

**Fittings** 

Earnings

per share 0.04(0.01a)

8.82(16.46)

-(-) 1.3(1.12) 8(6.5)

-(-) -(-) 2.87(2.87b)

to 74p on news that John Brown to 74p on news that John Brown up 1p at 59p, had sold its sizeable stake through a placing in the market at 70p.

Bid talk also continued to inspire Guthric 15p to 724p as talk persisted that Sirae Darby would make a bid in the spring.

Sotheby Farke Bernet improved another 10p to 495p on whispers of a bid from the United States. But Christie International eased to to 15p. International eased 1p to 175p.

Among companies reporting, Wholesale Fittings were rewarded for a set of good figures by a rise of 35p to 495p, while Evode improved 1p to 45p. In engineering, Dowty were nervous ahead of interim figures next Wednesday, dipping 7p to 158p, while the threat of lay offs as a result of the or lay ons as a result of the steel strike lopped 12p from Metal Box at 238p. GKN were 6p lighter at 266p, although press comment lifted Closures 5p to 119p.

Debchhams were once again

quarter cannot be too far off. House of Fraser was 3p lower at 135p and Burton 4p off at 109p.
Golds again surged ahead on the back of the latest rise in the bullion price with some

2p to 87p. The theory remains

Dowty has got City analysis flummoxed. Next Wednesday it will report interim profits. -Estimates of nine hrokers range Estimates of nine brokers range from £11m through £14m (the comparable figure the vear before) to as much as £18m. On February 13 Dowty meet the Society of Investment Analysts where members can discuss with group chiefs where and why they went wrong, Jobbers had the shares 7p down at 158p yesterday as a precaution.

sizable gains being maintained.
Anglo American Gold rose \$3
to \$89! along with \$t Helena
\$1! up at \$35! and West Drie
fontein 25 cents better at \$821. Among the London financials, Among the London financials, Cons Gold rose 8p to 477p.

Oils were another weak spot, with falls throughout the list. BP fell op to 358p, Shell 10p to 346p and Ultramar 8p to 43p. Equity turnover on January. 31 was £122,621m (16,188 bargains). Acrive stocks yesterday. according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Premier Con-solidated, ICI, Beecham, GEC, BAT, Busmah, Debankara, BAT, Burmah, Debenhams, RTZ and Consolidated Gold

#### Credit

# Truth in lending at last

In the past it has been difficult to compare the costs of borrow-ing money in different ways be-cause the lenders have quoted their charges in different ways. But from October 6 new orders and regulations under the Con-sumer Credit Act will require those who offer credit to show the total charge they are making for it, expressed as an annual percentage rate (APR).

The simual percentage rate, which will have to be included in quotations for credit and any

advertisements that include more than basic information that credit is available, will be much higher than the rates of interest about which customers are used to hearing. As a rough guide, the APR works out in most cases at about double the yearly flot rate.

A flat rate of 10 per cent (£10 interest a year for every £100 borrowed) is therefore equivalent to an annual percenrage rate of 19.5 per cent, assuming that the loan is repaid in monthly instalments.

over one year.

Similarly a monthly rate of
11 per cent is also a 19.5 per
cent annual percentage rate, if
the debt is paid off in one year; and a hire purchase agreement of a £20 deposit with 12 monthly payments of £7.33, to buy something with a cash trice of £100, also works out to have the

same APR-19.5 per cent. It becomes possible to compare the costs of borrowing in these different ways for the first time when the APR is calculated as a common means of expression. But the calculation of the rate is no simple matter.
Indeed, an APR as it will be
quoted in Britain is not the
same as one calculated, for

example, in America.
American rates, while similarly comparable one with another, normally work out 1 per cent or 2 per cent lower than those calculated according to the British rules.

One important distinguishing feature which makes the APR more truthful than other ways of quoting interest is that it must be based on the total charge for credit, taking into account all the extra costs that credit customers incur which. they would escape if they paid cash. So it might include not only interest, but arrangement or acceptance fees, the cost of a maintenance contract, which the customer might be obliged to extend of to enter into during a period of hire or credit purchase, or the cost of an insurance policy,

which he might be required to have as security for the loan or goods being bought on credit. The other vital difference is that the annual percentage rate takes into account the amount actually owed at different times during the life of a loan. The sum of £100 borrowed and repaid in 12 membly repayments of £9.50 (12 x £9.50 =



are fixed in advance the APR can be precisely calculated—at any rate, by the sufficiently numerate and with the aid of a complicated formula and a calculator. Where there are variables the fare must necessarily ables the rate must necessarily be an estimate based on assumptions which the regula-tions insist must not be unfair to the customer.

So, for example, the main credit cards, charging credit cards, charging a monthly rate of interest of 2; per cent, quote an annual per-centage rate of 30.6 per cent but that is in fact a maximum, taking no account of the free

TYPICAL BORROWING COSTS

20-24 Bank overdrait Bank personal loan Insurance policy loans Credit Cards In-house credit cards, 20.9-34.4 budget accounts Finance house unsecured loans

Hire purchase, credit Trading checks Corporate moneylen-Back street moneyup to 1,600

flar rate of interest of 14 per cent. But on average over the year the customer owes little more than helf the original amount of the loan and that is why the APR works out at almost 28 per cent.

Where the terms of a loan are fixed in advance the APR

Credit period before 'phyment in (same). Board intends to pay to 2p.

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work out as having almost exactly the same APR as our previous examples—19.6 per Over six months on similar assumptions the rate is 24.9 per cent and over one year 27.6 per cent. The credit card companies

claim that it is virtually im-possible to imagine that any of their customers would ever really have to pay the maximum annual percentage rate which they are legally obliged But the more " down market"

one goes, the higher the interest rates become. A company lending unsecured money for short terms and in small amounts, relying on manual collection as the only way of bringing its risks down to acceptable levels, will be charging an APR of more than

therging an APR of more than 100 per cent.

Small local companies, usually descended from the credit drapery trade, will find it particularly difficult to quote an APR. A £50 loan to be repaid over 14 weeks at £5 a week, for example—a not untypical offer in this sort of lending—goes over the top of the ready reference tables published by reference tables published by the Stationery Office. They stop at 999 per cent and it works out at 1068.6 per cent.

Robin Young

# **Evode makes up for** first-half setback

By Rosemary Unsworth Evode Holdings the Staffordbased adhesives manufacturer, made up for its first-balf setprofits at the year end by 20

per cent. Pretax profits rose from \$1.3m to £1.6m and turnover increased by 17 per cent to £29m in the 52 weeks to September 29, 1979,

Mr Andrew Simon, acting chairman of the Evo-Stik pre-ducts group, said that while the results were satisfactory, "they only go a small way towards the profits growth and profit margins we are striving

He explained that all divi-sions had a difficult first half because of poor weather and national industrial unrest but that this has been followed by ARMOUR TRUST

economy and the possible effects of a prolonged sreel strike. The share price gained up to 45p.

buoyant trading conditions in the second half. "The pent-up demand in the sconomy showed through", he said. Evode has closed down its

overseas activities which were

losing money or not making an adequate return. These include the loss-making French company and the United States dis-

pany and the United States dis-tribution operation.

A final dividend of 1.39p gross has been proposed, which with the interim of 0.65p gross, makes a total of 2p and repre-aents a 15 per cent increase

Although first quarter results

have been satisfactory, Mr Simon expressed concern over

the immediate outlook for the United Kingdom and world

over last year's 1.73p.

Turnover for half-year to October 31, £4.3m (£3.88m). Pretax profit, £241,000 (£217,000). Tax nil (same). Board intends to pay

Chairman told annual meeting that Brown's performance so far this year is "satisfactory."

MOOLOYA INVESTMENTS

Mr C. Baldwin of Wesseals has acquired a further 100,000 ordinery shares in Mooloya at 95p. PENTOS

Pentos' offshoot, Hudsons Book-shops, to buy retail bookshop and library supply business of A. Brown and Son for about £330,000

TECHNOLOGY TRUST
Gross revenue of Technology
Investment Trust for helf-year to November 30 up from £554,000 to £813,000.

GITY OF LONDON TRUST
Gross revenue of City of London
Brewery and investment Trust up
from £1.39m to £1.92m for halfyear to December 31. Board expects to pay total divident of
i not less." than 5p gross for
year (4.74p).

LONGTON INDUSTRIAL
Having achieved record figures
in 1978-79, Longton Industrial
Holdings. based at Stoke-on-Treat, in 1978-79, Longton Industrial Holdings, based at Stoke-on-Trent, is still pushing ahead. Taxable profits rose by 14 per cent to £942,000—on turnover 13 per cent up at £20.4m—in the six

months to September 30. With earnings per share up from 7.81p to 10.88p, the interim gross dividend is being raised from 1.86p to 2p.

Briefly

TRICENTRUL—CARLEFURM
Acceptances of offers by Tricentrol for Cableform, now total
92 per cent of ordinary share
capital and over 91 per cent of

preference share capital of Cable-

Turnover for half-year to November 30 up from £1.72m to £1.98m. Pre-tax profit, £6,000 (loss, £17,000). Tax ml (seme) No

#### Mr Dennis Rose, chairman of Wholesale Fittings.

to 5.7p gross but the board said that the improvement must not be taken as an indication of the level of the final. Last year's total was 14.3p gross.

Wholesele's strength comes from its concentration on the specialized industrial end of the market. It operates primarily through depots in the Greater London and Manchester areas. Two new depots at Dartford

and Gillingham are to be opened making a total of 18. Turnover during the first two months of the second half has shown an increase over the corresponding period of last year but Mr Dennis Rose, the chairman, warned that it would be unwise to anticipate the rate of increase in profits in the first half will be maintained in

#### Interest rate holds continues at back Town & City By Philip Robinson

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High interest rates gave a virtually unchanged look to the half-time figures from Jeffrey Sterling's Town & City Properties.

18p. The six months to the year will bear the full brunt of a 17 per cent MLR.

However, the directors say the figure of the properties.

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Elsewhere in Business News dividends dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown

The market had been expect-ing some sign of further im-provement which the group has shown over the past three years, but with the first-half carrying nearly four months of MLR at 17 per cent, the interest bill went up from £11.6m to £14.1m and kept the loss before tax at ground £7.5m.

Mr Sterling said : " If we had the interest bill would have been £3 million lower." That would have brought the loss efore tax down to around

ing the shares down 1.75p to

that the figures show an imstrength of the group. Net income from property rents, as more developments are completed, jumped 77 per cent to 23.1m with more to come. Income from the Sterling Guarantee Trust which includes Earls Court, Olympia, Sutcliffe Catering Group and engineering! distributors. Buck and Hickman, rose from £2.1m to £3.3m.

For the first time there has also been an increase in the value of shareholders' funds, by f6.5m, to around £75 million. A further £45m worth of property which was in the books at £28m. But it is the prospects for the second half, traditionally the better six months, which probably played a part in bring
of £342m,

# Mr Mears may join Walker

Mr David Mears, who and company secretary, Mr resigned as deputy managing Thomas Shaw, said tast night: director of furniture group "It is too early to say, but we Christic-Toler three months are discussing a directorship." ago, is in talks with the direc- which could be the post of

Walker & Homer issued a statement yesterday that discussions were taking place which could lead to a closer association between Mr Mears and the company, and said a consultance which could lead to a closer association between Mr Mears and the company, and said a consultance which could lead to a closer association between Mr Mears and the company, and said a consultance will bring a large amount of value abile expertise and marketing abile to the group. Profits of Walker & Homer have been going down since and the company, and said a consultance will bring a large amount of value abile expertise and marketing abile to the group.

# Dana in £3m UK deal

Dana Corporation, the United Intertruck Companies manu-States group, is to acquire the facture and distribute truck privace British Intertruck Companies for £3.28m, of which £3m will be satisfied by the of Dana \$1 shures and the balance in cash.

Almost half the shares will be issued on completion and the remainder on September 1, 1930

which could lead to a closer association between Mr Mears and the company, and said a conclusion is not expected for several weeks.

Mr Mears, 36, signed a business consultancy agreement with Walker on Thursday night.

Walker's financial director far on a turnover which has 1975 on a turnover which has 19

trailer parts. Net tangible assets -

1979. Pretax profits were £39,000 on sales of £8.21m for

the year ending April 30, 1979.
Mr G. B. J. Smith, chairman and Mr K. R. Collen, managing director, and the present executive directors will all continue in their present positions.

# Turnover for year to May 19, £5.17m (£5.12m for 13 months). Pre-tax profit, £95,000 (£199,000 for 13 months). Total dividend, 6.25p gross (6.46p for 13 months). Insurance bid for Lydenburg

H. YOUNG HOLDINGS

dividend (same).

RADLEY FASHION

African insurance company, has raised its stake in Lydenburg Platinum to 42 per cent and is bidding for the outstanding shares. The move can be seen as another stage in the tidying up of Afrikaner mining interests after the absorption by General Mining of Union Corporation.

Lydenburg is a mining invest-ment company whose chief asset is 8.35 per cent of Rustenburg Platinum, a producing company. Old Murual already held 21 per cent of Lydenburg and acquired General Mining and Sentrust in a share-swop worth R10.7m (£5.78m), equivalent to 345 cents a share.

At that price, roughly in line with the market, General Mining has escaped from a minority holding over which it had no control, but has kept the mineral and mining rights. A share-swop was necessary to avoid tax.

Old Mutual is now offering minority shareholders 345 cents share, cash.

NYSE committee

New York.-The idea of creating a holding company to operate the New York Stock

and futures trading as separate subsidiaries. Should the "Big Board" eventually begin trad-

money-market instruments will be traded. A long-standing plan

#### International

awaits clearance by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Conceivably, voting power in a parent concern would be distributed more broadly than under the present set-up. Currently, 1,379 individual members of the Stock Exchange comprise the "Big Board" constituency.—AP.—Dow Jones.

Thomson Newspapers

operate the New York Stock
Exchange and other planned
"Big Board" markets is under
study by a special exchange
committee, stock exchange
sources disclosed.

Under the concept, a parent
company would be created to

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operate the exchange'; stock number of class "X" and "Y" preferred shares. The total purchase price was about \$130m,—AP.—Dow Jones.

AEG household side

Frankfurt.-AEG-Telefunken's household goods division, AEG-Telefunken Hausleraete AG, considerably reduced its loss in 1979 and there will be a further improvement in 1980, an AEG spokesman said without giving details. He said the division hopes to return to profit in 1981, Iu 1979, division turnover rose by nearly 3 percent in real terms over 1978, to Dm3,100m, comprising a 2.5 per cent increase to Dm2,000m in West Germany and a 3 percent rise to Dm1,100m abroad. The spokesman said division considerably reduced its loss in The spokesman said division turnover is expected to grow by a real 1 to 2 per cent in 1980.

Division investment in 1980 will exceed the 1979 total of more than Dm100m.

Talbot UK Paris.-Talbot Motor of Brit-

ain has increased its capital by £30m to £85.24m, entirely subscribed by Automobiles Talbot of Paris. The Talbot president M. Perrin Pelletier said that the operation is a show of con-fidence in the British unit and should allow the company to recover and restore its financial equilibrium. Talbot Motor is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the French Talbot itself a unit of the Peugeot-Citroen group.-AP.-Dow Jones.

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Children

security payment made to mothers in lieu of the child's allowance, which benefited the father's tax liability, has been in the news twice this week. Now worth £4, it was surprisingly omitted from the list of social security benefits increased last November. Despite

this stance by the Government,

the Conservative Women's National Advisory Committee has decided to press for an in-crease in child benefits The committee makes the simple but telling point that the position of families the position of families with children has deteriorated compared with that of childless couples. What's more, increases in school meals and transport costs will also increase the dent in the family budget this year-The remedy put forward by the Tory women deserves con-sideration. They recommend that the child benefit should be

tied to the adult tax allowance

and increased in line with if. Thanks to the Rooker-Wise

amendment two years ago, this means that it would be in-creased in line with the retail

was kaunched last week, with the aim of providing a sizeable tax-free cash sum the year be-fore the child's eighteenth or

twenty-first birthday.

perent £16.50. Norwich Union gives at example of a man of about 30 taking out a policy for nineteen years to mature when his child is 21. On present bonus rates the sum assured of £4,059 would be increased by a further £4,985 and there would be a terminal bonus as well.

Child benefits, that social ecurity payment made to mothers in lieu of the child's allowance, which benefited the ather's tax liability, has been the news twice this week.

New time time the Northead the sum assured is paid out, of course, but the maturity benefits with the news twice this been devising methods to enable parents with this would comtinue to grow until they were paid out in the sum assured is paid out, of with the sum assured is paid ou the child. The Child Health Research

> If the parent dies beforehand, cash is immediately available, but the policy continues to earn bonuses until the maturity

Using the child benefits to fund such a policy is worth considering. The £4a-week could fund a £20-a-month premium—the premium is paid ner of tax rekief of 17½ per cent so would actually cost the perent £16.50.

terminal bonus as well. If the parent dies beforehand,

Getting the best out of child benefits

Investment Trust is being launched this week. As its name suggests, it is being set up to provide research money for the medical school at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children. Although all the income goes to the hospital, shareholders ought to benefit from the capital appreciation. There are innovations to attempt to prevent the shares from immediately falling below

the par value. Every year share-holders—the loan note holders who received the income have no vote—will be given the option to wind up the trust. In any case, the life of the trust is only seven years. If the shares fall, share-holders can at least have the satisfaction of knowing that their money is helping a deserving options that would be handled as a third unit under

Sources familiar with the proposal say a holding company would allow the exchange to manage itself more efficiently at a time when it is embarked on major diversification moves. The "Big Board" is slated this spring to open the New York Futures Exchange, where contracts in currencies and other

#### **Further** payment for GRA creditors

GRA Property Trust, the greyhound racing and property group which entered into a Scheme of Arrangement in 1976 as an alternative to liquidation, has paid a further 10p in the pound to unsecured scheme creators. This makes a total so far of 75p.

Ability to pay stems from a further improvement in trading. Profits in the year to October swept up from 5566,000 to £1.04m helped by a reduction in interest charges from £830,000 to £641,000.

Asset disposals this time amounted to only £9,000 against the previous year's £459,000. Since the year-end however disposals totalling £525,000 have heen made of which £425,000 has been used to reduce secured indebtedness.

#### **BOC** sells Murex offshoot for £1m

BOC has sold its Murex Positioning Equipment division based on Merseyside to a Bedford group, Courtburn, for about £1m.

Courtburn, a positioning and welding equipment specialist, intends to merge the MPE operations with its existing Yrics division and consolidate them into the MPE factory based at Knowsley.

BOC will act as non-exclusive distributor for MPE-Yates in the United Kingdom and overseas, supplementing its own range of welding equipment and consumables.

#### North Sea supplier joins Sidlaw

Sidlaw Industries has acquired Supply Ship Services (United Kingdom), a private company engaged principally in the supply of bonded goods to the North Sea oil industry, mainly through Aberdeen and Peterhead. The initial consideration of about 522 200 will be ation of about £382,000 will be satisfied by the allorment of 325,000 ordinary shares of 50p, by payment of £25,000 in cash, and by the issue of £97,000 10 per cent unsecured loan stock 1985 of Sidlaw which will not be listed on the Stock Exchange. Additional consideration up to a maximum of £150,000 may be

#### Bid may be on way for **Drilling Tools NS**

The hourd of the London-hased Drilling Tools North Sea 2d has received an approach which may lead to an offer for the company's share capital.

Shareholders will be kept informed of developments, the company said yesterday. DTNS's shares are dealt in under special stack exchange rules and last changed hands at 425p. The company's chairman is Mr Charles Noble, a stockbroker.

#### **Options**

Further interest in Cons Gold and the counter bid by GEC for Decca provided traded options with another busy day yester-day. Total contracts rose from 573 to 1.081 with Consolidated Gold Fields accounting for 349 and Racal 277p. The April 500p series proved most popular in Cons Gold as the share price touched 477 while in Racal the February 220p series drew most

Hopes of Vaul Reefs making its debut in the near future are beginning to look slim with very little chance of it appear-ing before the end of February. Traditional options experienced quieter conditions airhough second-line oil shares continued to experience en-

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still prove vulnerable if any easing of political tension occurs. Samuel Montreu and Co said in its monthly silver review.

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#### Discount market

Conditions were less difficult yesterday, though the discount houses still needed to take help on a moderate scale from the Bank of England. During the morning it had looked as though there might even he a surplus on the day, but lenders refused to be convinced. They held off to obtain better rates for their money, so rates came off only reluctantly and not very tar.

During the morning, rates held within the 161-17 per cent area, mainly at the top end. For a spell in the afternoon, the situation eased somewhat and rates came off to 16 per cent at one time, but the close found the market firming once again, and hooks were eventually ruled off within bounds of 161-17 per cent.

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#### Foreign exchange report

The recent firmness in the dollar was well maintained yesterday, with the currency receiving an early fillip from the overnight naws of a cut in United States money supply figures, although best levels were not held.

Up to 2.2750 at one stage, the pound eventually closed at 2.2750 against the dollar compared with 2.2570 last night, while its trade weighted level ended 0.2 up at 72.0 after 72.1 initially.

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Having always considered myself an incurable romantic, I was considerably alarmed this week, when I looked at

Valentine ideas, to find myself gravitating inexorably towards

the more satirical representations of love. Something, I feel sure, to do with the policemen looking younger this year and the fact that the only

year and the fact that the only mail I expect to receive on February 14 is likely to be labelled Final Demand. I always did like masterful men. It therefore suited my mood perfectly to visit The Workshop, 83 Lambs Conduit Street, London, WC1, for a preview of their annual Valentine show of cartoons and drawings which

cartoons and drawings which opens on February 7 for a formight. No sentimental illusions, these, but sharp and funny comments on the dottier

sides of human behaviour.
There are many well-known
names on show, but part of the
fun of such an exhibition is
sporting new talent as well as

spotting new talent as well as admiring the already established. I particularly liked the work of student Maria Hélène Jeeves—among it a drawing of an old man with a large umbrella, keeping off a downpour of red heart-shaped rain—and textile designer Mary Harper's halved green apple with a heart in each core. Prices are from £15.

Next Monday, the annual

Beauty Playground formight

opens on the fourth floor at

Selfridges—one of the best

chances to try a wide range of products from top beauty houses, without any obligation

store departments are so intimidat

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me of jewelled spiders' webs,

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You need superhuman sales

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But at the Beauty Play

ground you can relax. There

will be demonstrations, free

make-ups and genuinely un-

biased advice from beauty

experts. They include Joan

Price, who with her Face

Place, pioneered the idea of

giving customers the oppor-

tunity to experiment with pro-

ducts from several beauty

houses before buying. She will

be there with three of her

advisers.

If you can, take the opportunity of asking about the right skin care products for your type. As a nation, we have concentrated far too long on the cosmetic side of beauty, and not enough on the basic need to keep the skin supple and in good condition. You will be able to dabble with a selection from 20 leading brands, until

from 20 leading brands, until you find the ones that feel right for you—and as you can't buy them on the spot, you will have three floors's breathing there herwen your initial im-

space between your initial im-pulse and the ground floor sales counters where you will

actually be parted from your money. Harrods is also getting into gear for a beautiful spring with a Get Fit exhibition

which opens in their central

all sorts of mechanical aids to

For the energetic there are exercise cycles, including a computerized version which adjusts itself to your aga. weight and general condition when you feed in the relevant data, and then encourages you have talling very box to the column of the column.

by telling you how many calories you burn as you pedal.

There are rowing and jog-ging machines—one masochis-tic invention simulates running

uphili as you jog on the spot— and something called an exec-

utive exerciser, which I am

assured has nothing to do with

If you are thoroughly exhausted at the mere idea of

all this, there are passive exer-cisers, sunbeds and solariums,

all with consultants on hand to

advise, and an electronically

runs until February 23.

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pinks and lavender on white, from Liberty,

Regent Street, London W1.

£1.06 a box of 16. I'm sorry we can't illustrate them for you—they were so good that half of them didn't get beyond this office and the art department finished them off. You can find them at Selfridges, Bentalls (Kingston), Kendal Milne (Manchester) and branches of Cullens and Budgens.

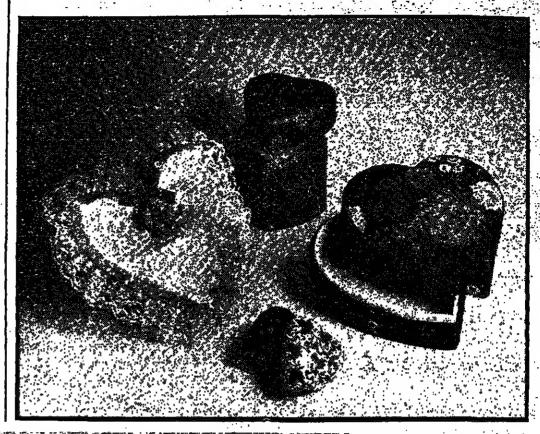
Or maybe you would prefer to make your own heart-shaped

Shoparound with Bern Downing Shoparound with

constantly to hand, Dartington do chunky heart paperweights at 52.30 and penholders at

£1:30 both from Heals (add 60p for postage) and if you prefer to be less obvious in your approach, there is a charming Lalique ashtray or pintray decorated with billing: turtle doves, £35 from Asprey, 165-169 New Bond Street, London, W.1. After all, you

couldn't get a more appro-priate material than glass as an expression of anything as



informal atmosphere.

His own wirty work is on show, of course, and there are books of originals by all the top cartoonists—Larry, Heath, ffoulkes, Honeysett among them. Cartoon buying is no longer a Christmas only business and younger buyers are finding them an entertaining way of adorning their walls, while paintings would be beyond their budgets. If they to make your own heart-shaped goodies? Graham and Greene, 7 Elgin Crescent, London, W11, have individual creme moulds Above: Mel Calman Valentine card, 12p from The Workshop, 83 Lamb's Conduit Street, London WC1. Below: Fine cotton nightie with shoe string straps, £32.50, and quilted bedjacket, £28.75, in

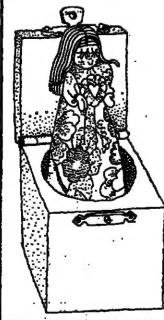
> Above: Mini phone book o 11 inch hearts, 35p from larger

Above: The 1980 Crummles Valentine box is third in a series and has a handpainted lid on a pink or yellow base. £19.67 with gilt mount from Harrods. Other stockists given in column six. Above left: Ministure 11 inch heart-shaped box in white cera-mic with yellow or pink flower, 22.65, plush 60p p & p. from Cucina, 8 Englands Lane, London

wanted to create an easy and informal atmosphere.



overall, £7.70 plus £1 p & p from Nice Irma's, 46 Goodge Street, mould. £2.15, from Graham and Greene, 7 Elgin Crescent, Lon-



Pop-up Jill-in-a-box, 11 Inch high, £3.65, from Liberty, Regent Str

London W1.



Cookle mould on easel, 8 inch

A series of one-day courses run by the Electrical Associaruary 5 in London. They are intended for all age groups and will be divided into three

sessions—practical instruction. electrical safety and conserving energy. Participants will be taught about meter reading and changing fuses and plugs, the controlled bath which gives thoosing and care of choosing and care of appliances, types of insulation, including divy, approximate which is upon us is going to running costs of appliances be extremely stimulating, one and hints on economical use.
way or another. The exhibition The day starts at 10:30 and

advantage can be taken of cheap day return fares and the fee is \$3. The initial courses are already full, but 20 day sessions are planned during the next two months and more can be arranged if there is enough interest.

The London classes will be held at the EAW, 25 Foubert's Place, London W1V 2AL and the association will run similar courses for 10 or more people almost anywhere in the country. If you are interested in the existing courses, or in arranging others, please write The day starts at 10:30 and to the service administrator at ends around 3:30 pm, so that the Foubert's Place address.



Lalique pin tray with billing doves, £35, from

Asprey, 165 New Bond Street, London W1

My comments on the lack of special cheque facilities for left-handers stimulated so many of you to write with helpful advice that I feel a postscript is appro-

Several thought that if cheque books were bound or stapled at the top instead of at the side, this would solve all problems users. It seems, though, that this is not the simple solution it at first appears,

The banks that have tried it

if you are in the habit of folding your cheque book and put-ting it in a back pocket, it is more likely to come to pieces when bound in this way.

Those who bank at National Westminster were my happiest correspondents, eager to pass on the glad tidings that Nat . West do a stubless cheque book for both left and right handed stapled on the left, but with record sheets the size of a whole cheque interleaved every five cheques, which acts as a mini balance sheet and avoids find that people tend to rip the problem a left-hander has their cheques more easily when of holding down small stubs. they have long, horizontal per-Perhaps a solution other forations and narrow stubs, and, might care to consider?

Above: Satin and lace sachet 6 inch, filled with lavender or Tapestry-scented, £3.15 plus 30p p&p at Mary Chess, 7 Shepherd Market, London W1; Chinese brocade box, £2.75, velvet box, right, £9.25, papiermache handpainted box, front, £2.25, all from Liberty, Regent Street, London

In mid-Victorian times, no well brought up young lady would have thought of appearing at a social gathering without a-nosegay. Sometimes they were made at home, sometimes given by an admirer, but a great deal of thought went into their composition. As one adviser put it in 1855: To get half a dozen of mixed flowers bundled together anywith such a posegay in these days is looked upon as certainly not a mark of high breeding."

They also paid a deal of attention to the meaning of the flowers used and Constance Spry, 74 Marylebone Lane. London, W.1, is reviving the idea in a collection of delightful posies and basker arrangements for St. Valentine's day or, for that matter, for any celebration.

The baskets-round, square, oblong and "Gainsborough"full of flowers of your choice come in various sizes at £7.50, £12.50, £15 and £18 and are accompanied by a card giving the meaning of the 12 types of flowers used. A delivery charge of 40p is made for W.1 and a little more in other London postal districts. Telephone 01-486 6441 for details.

Unfortunately, these deli-veries are limited to London, bur I thought you might like to know the meaning of the lowers so that you can create your own messages. Red roses. of course, mean great love; white roses, charm and inno-cence, yellow roses, jeakousy; yellow chrysanthemums, slighted love; snowdrops, home rinders faithfulness; hope ; blue white violets, byacinths, faithfulness. constancy : white hyacinins, unobtrusive loveliness; red carnations, "Alas, my poor heart"; iris, valour and wisdom; narcissus, egotism, polyanthus, dence.

All of which is splendid for ne rongue-tied, but fraught with danger for the verbose. Your intention may be to say:
"I am constant and faithful and my great love for your unobtrusive loveliness, inno-cence and wisdom gives me the confidence to hope,"

Just suppose your florist is out of white hyacinchs and substitutes the odd narcissus. Your message could then read: "My great love is born of confident egotism and if you hope I will be constant and faithful you are more innocent than wise."

Trust a woman to put the worst possible interpretation on anything.

Those of you who were interested in last week's mention of interior designers Charles Hammond should know that the address is 165 Sloane Street, London, SW1 and not No 5 as I said. Sloane Street is much roo long to direct you to the wrong end—I apologise.



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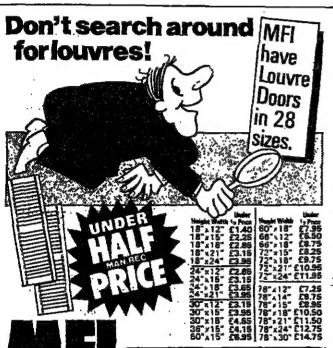
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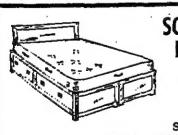
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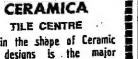
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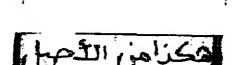
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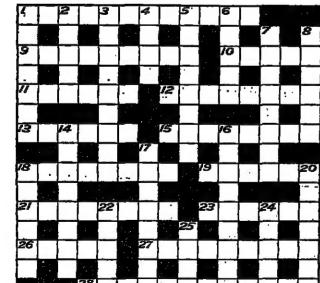
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